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## A Sample Of Catholic Tolerance

(Editor's note: A good layman of Jackson has sent the editor the letter quoted below. Read it and form your own conclusions about tolerance, here and in Italy where the Roman Catholics compose about 99 per cent of the population.)

"Return address on envelope: Frances Xavier O'Toole Society of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Mother of God New York City 3, N. Y. Letter head: Mary Mother of God Nocurnal Adoration Society, New York, New York.

Rev. J. Wood  
Crescent Hill Church,  
Brownfield, Texas.

Sir:

We have heard of the protests you made concerning the illegal missionary activity of your workers in Italy, and of the just punishment they have received from the Faithful. Worse is in store for you as you will soon find out.

Let us assure you that you, together with all other false heretics and agents of hell will surely burn forever in Purgatory for your damnable acts. His Holiness, the Most Holy Father Pope Pius XII, Vicar of Jesus Christ on Earth, has said there is ONE TRUE

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## Southern Baptists Take Stand On Ecumenicalism And Federal And World Councils

Dr. F. K. Horton, pastor of the Clarksdale Church, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour on July 23.

He will be heard over the following stations: at 8 a. m. over WHBQ, Memphis; WRBC, Jackson; WRJW, Picayune; at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson, and at 9 a. m. over WLOX, Biloxi and WROB, West Point.

## Baptists Have Great Advantage in Evangelism

By Wm. D. Wyatt

This is a time of Baptist opportunity in evangelism. Never was our nation in greater need of a spiritual awakening than is ours now.

When colonization began, all citizens were church members by law. However, there was an early separation of church and state, and active church membership dropped to a low of 5 per cent of the population. The

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## European Pastors Have Conference

By DR. J. D. FRANKS,

Public Relations Representative and Business Manager

The first conference of European Baptist pastors came to a close on June 29, after a 10 day session. Held at the Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, some fifty pastors and preachers from thirteen nations attended.

Pastor Yngve Adolfsson, of Sweden, was chosen president of the conference. The program was built around the theme: **Our Baptist Heritage**. Lecturers were Professor S. L. Stealey, of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, U. S. A.; Pastor L. G. Champion, Rugby, England; Pastor Enrico Paschetto, Turin, Italy; Pastor A. A. Hardenberg, Hengelo, Holland.

In the lecture periods and the discussions which followed, through prayers, around the tables at meals, in small conference groups, on hikes and sight-seeing trips together and in informal social meetings the pastors exchanged experiences and information and discussed their mutual problems.

Although the language barrier was present, nearly all understood and spoke English.

Many references to our Seminary were made during the course of the conference, which revealed that already European Baptists are thinking of Ruschlikon-Zurich as an important center of Baptist life. The pastors were unanimous in their praise for Southern Baptists in the bold, statesmanlike venture of faith which the idea back of the Seminary enterprise represents.

These pastors were happy that Dr. Josef Nordenhaug is to be the president, succeeding Dr. Sadler who served the first year as acting president.

Ruschlikon could become a great Baptist Assembly grounds. No lovelier place could be found, even in Switzerland, all are agreed. Suggestions have been made that three summer conferences be held next year, another conference for pastors, one for students and one for laymen.

By T. C. GARDNER, Dallas, Texas  
Chairman

Common Problems Committee

Editor's note: This report, which was unanimously adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in Chicago, deals with such vital and important matters that we feel that it certainly would be profitable to all our church work to print the entire report. Space limitations prevent printing all the report in one issue. After reading this issue, save it until all the report has appeared.

American Baptists are facing four critical problems. None of these is new, but all are so fundamental that to neglect them would be disastrous.

I. In the first place, American Baptists either have distinctive doctrinal convictions or have no reason for existence. These distinctives, drawn as we believe from the inspired Word of God, must be kept constantly before our people. Unless this be done, then our church organizations such as the Sunday School, the Training Union, the Woman's Missionary Union and the Brotherhood will find themselves without a distinct message; our new converts will have no idea of the meaning of Baptist distinctives; and the rank and file of our church members will be easy prey for every wind of false doctrine that blows. Southern Baptists are just returning from a vast crusade of evangelism. The great multitudes who have been won to Christ and received into church membership constitute an imperative demand that Southern Baptists shall seek to indoctrinate them in the basic tenets of our faith.

In the past, in times of emergency the Southern Baptist Convention has found it wise and necessary to make such statements of faith and policy. For instance, with reference to the doctrine of missions the convention long ago made clear its faith and policy when it limited to representation those who support the missionary program. In 1925 the convention adopted a statement of faith and policy made by its president on the doctrine of the direct creation by God to meet the emergency of the teaching of evolution. In 1948 the convention set forth a statement of faith and policy in its constitution defining the doctrine of co-operation.

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## Baptist World Alliance Meeting To Get Good Newspaper Coverage

Cleveland, Ohio—(BP)—The Baptist World Alliance will have a completely staffed and equipped press room. Cleveland Baptists have employed Mr. Donald C. Bolles of New York City, a professional press relations expert to handle the job. In a conversation with Mr. Albert McClellan of the SBC Executive Committee, he said, "I try to anticipate the needs of every newspaper man covering a convention. Adequate physical accommodations will be provided and we'll try to lay on the line as much as possible every advance and abstract and to keep a flow of information going to the press throughout the convention concerning all phases of the program."

Mr. Bolles expects 25 reporters from the secular press in addition to the religious press.

Editor Goodrich of the Baptist Record is attending the Alliance meeting and will report what happens.

## Three-Fourths of SBC Churches Enroll Less Than 200 in Sunday School

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—Nearly three-fourths or 72 per cent of all Southern Baptist churches have less than 200 members. Only one out of each 49 churches have Sunday schools with more than 1,000 enrolled. These figures were released by Porter Routh, director of survey and statistics for the Sunday School Board.

There are a total of 27,285 churches. 1,787 or 6.6 per cent have no Sunday school at all. 12,896 or 47.3 per cent have Sunday schools of 99 or less. 6,738 or 24.7 per cent have from 100-199. After that, the percentage

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### SOUTHERN BAPTISTS TAKE STAND (Continued From Page One)

(Article III, 1 and 2).

The convention, through its boards and committees, is even now forming a position of policy and faith regarding the doctrine of tithing and stewardship. None of these statements of faith and policy has the effect of a creed or the law binding on the churches, or even upon the convention itself, should the convention decide to change them. They have all come about in response to needs and emergencies which have arisen in the past and represent the faith and the policy of the working majority of the convention.

We believe, therefore, that Southern Baptists should make a statement of faith and policy with reference to ecumenicalism which will be a guide to Southern Baptist committees, agencies, and institutions in the immediate future.

Baptists have always maintained the right of any Baptist body to set forth a statement of faith. Dr. E. Y. Mullins, as chairman of the committee of the convention, brought such a statement at the convention in 1924. He said in part: "That any group of Baptists, large or small, have the inherent right to draw up for themselves and publish to the world a conviction of their faith whenever they may think it advisable to do so."

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### Baptismal Window In Richmond Church

Richmond, Virginia — (BP) — The baptistry of the First Church, Richmond, is conventionally located just above and behind the pulpit in view of the entire congregation. It is one of the few baptistries in the Southern Baptist Convention emphasizing the baptismal mode of immersion by using glass and back lighting.

Prepared by Payne Spiers Studio of Paterson, New Jersey, the work shows John the Baptist as he baptized Jesus in the Jordan river. A booklet describing the scene says:

"Baptists through the years have practiced only 'believers baptism.' We baptize only those who have accepted Christ as Savior and Lord. On Confession of their faith in Him they are 'buried with Christ in baptism and rise to walk with Him in newness of life.' We are part of a great world fellowship of those who have found in this beautiful ordinance a symbol of the death, burial, and resurrection of Christ. It is to us a token of our entrance into the fellowship of the church and our oneness with those who through the years have thus borne witness to their faith."

**STUDENTS WHO WISH** to prepare for careers in religious journalism in the United States will be accepted for a new graduate program in the School of Journalism at Syracuse University beginning this fall, according to Dean M. Lyle Spencer.

**WACO, TEXAS—CHARLES** Wellborn, the 25-year-old preacher on Southern Baptist's coast to coast weekly radio broadcast last spring, will join the faculty of Baylor University's department of religion in September.

### To Lead in New Hope Revival



REV. C. S. MOULDER

New Hope Church, Covington County, Rev. C. S. Moulder, pastor, will hold its revival July 23-July 28. The visiting evangelist will be Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor of the Seminary Church.

Both morning and evening services will be held.

A Daily Vacation Bible School will be held in connection with the revival.

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### THREE-FOURTHS OF SBC

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abruptly drops: 2,313 or 8.5 per cent have 200-299; 1,073 or 3.9 per cent have 300-399; 635 or 2.3 per cent have 400-499; 439 or 1.6 per cent have 500-599; 309 or 1.1 per cent have 600-699; 239 or 0.9 per cent have 700-799; 163 or 0.6 per cent have 800-899; 137 or 0.5 per cent have 900-999 and 556 or 2 per cent have over 1,000.

In Mississippi 875 churches have Sunday schools with less than 100 enrolled; 390 have enrollments between 100 and 199 and 19 have an enrollment of more than 1,000.

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### Polkville Completes VBS; Revival Adds 8

The Vacation Bible School of the Polkville Church closed with commencement exercises on July 14. An average attendance of 57 was maintained. Miss Fabia Rue Jones, Clarke College student, was the principal.

Workers in the school were: Mrs. Bill Marshall, Mrs. Bugord Pennington, Mrs. Paul McDonald, Mrs. Joel Pace, Miss Dorothy Faye Jonts, Mrs. D. W. Polk, and the pastor, Rev. Paul McDonald. Refreshments were served each day.

An offering, amounting to \$20, was divided between the worker and the Clarke College building campaign.

There were eight additions during the recent revival, in which Rev. Allen Johnson did the preaching.

### BAPTISTS HAVE GREAT

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Great Awakening brought it up to 20 per cent, but the Revolutionary War and the Free-thinking and Deism of the century's end brought it down again to 5 per cent. The College and Camp meeting revival and the Finney Campaigns raised the figure to 22 per cent before the Civil War, but the War and the Reconstruction days following dropped it again to 17.5 per cent. The Tabernacle Revivals, Moody to Sunday, raised the percentage of church members to 34.3 per cent before the first World War. Strange to say, the percentage did not drop after that war but has maintained a steady increase to the present high of 50 per cent.

The conservation of conversion is in the fellowship of the local church where personal contacts can be maintained and made permanent.

Around 1900 there began emphasis upon the local church revival, pastoral evangelism, and trained church membership. This largely accounts for the present growth and steadiness in the percentage of church membership to the total population.

The revival for today must be one sufficiently close to the churches for its fruit to be conserved, yet big enough to make weighty impact upon distracted American life.

### An Anchor For Converts

We believe that the Spirit of God has given us the answer to today's need in the Simultaneous Revival as promoted the Southern Baptist Convention. That method of evangelism is rooted in the local churches and yet is big enough to dint the American consciousness in any locality.

Where one church alone cannot stir a great city, all Baptist churches praying, preaching, visiting, and advertising simultaneously can create a spiritual earthquake, with the energizing power of the Holy Spirit.

The far-flung campaigns each side of the Mississippi in 1950 and 1951 surely will stir the nation. Whatever results are achieved will be conserved because the converts will be in direct contact with local churches. A convert of a city-wide tabernacle revival is a soul saved, but often the convert becomes an interdenominational lifter. A convert won in a local church revival knows where his spiritual home is, and he usually serves there.

### Solidify Baptists

New Testament Evangelism solves many problems in individual lives, in the local church, and the Denomination.

One of the biggest problems confronting Southern Baptists today is that of sectional misunderstandings. We have ceased to think of ourselves

### Antioch To Have Revival July 23-28

Antioch Church in Rankin County will have a revival July 23-28 in which Rev. Fred Williams, pastor of Glade Church in Jones County, will do the preaching. The local song leader, Herbert Huff, will be in charge of the music.

Cottage prayer meetings are being sponsored for a week prior to the meeting. Also a Vacation Bible School is preceding the revival.

Services will be held at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Rev. Paul McDonald is the pastor.

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### L. D. SPELL

WHEREAS God, in His infinite wisdom saw fit to remove from us Brother L. D. Spell, Sr. and

WHEREAS He served his church faithfully as deacon for nearly forty years and as church treasurer for 10 years, and

WHEREAS he contributed to the progress of the church through loyal attendance, mature wisdom and exemplary Christian graces, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we, the deacons of the Georgetown Church express our appreciation for his service through the years.

RESOLVED, that we declare our sense of loss in his departure.

RESOLVED, that we offer our deepest sympathy and condolence to his family and loved ones.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. LEACH

J. A. ASHLEY

R. W. PORTER

as Southern. The world is in truth our parish. Bue we could easily spread ourselves out so thinly that we could break in two in the middle. The West talks of the elite East, too liberal in doctrine, too conservative in method. The East looks on the West as an overgrown adolescent in need of discipline and balance. These two attitudes must be erased and the good in each section shared with all.

It would appear that the exchange of pastor-evangelists in the Western and Eastern Simultaneous Campaigns should do more to iron out difficulties and misunderstandings and weld the convention together than anything else that could happen. Baptists usually are able to talk and pray themselves together in the Revival atmosphere. It is very easily possible that the Simultaneous Revival may not only be God's method for aving the largest number of souls in this complicated age, but also, God's way of preserving Southern Baptist solidarity in the hour of our greatest opportunity.





## Summer Assemblies Are Valuable

CHESTER L. QUARLES  
Executive Secretary

Who could completely evaluate our Summer Assemblies? Even though the writer has been attending regularly Baptist assemblies since the summer of 1925 he readily admits that he could not comprehend their full significance and value.

Baptists own and operate many assemblies. These words are written at Ridgecrest which is operated by our great Sunday School Board. The first of three Baptist Training Union weeks is in progress here under the leadership of Miss Louise Hill, associate to Mr. Auber J. Wilds, Mississippi Training Union Secretary.

### Ridgecrest

Ridgecrest is a beauty spot. Located in the mountains of western North Carolina it is a mecca for thousands of Baptists each summer. Starting the first week in June it will operate through August. Almost every interest, if not everyone, will be represented here during these summer months. Every South-wide Board will have at least one week in which to get its message across to our constituency in Southern Baptist Zion. For minimum perspiration and maximum inspiration, one should go to Ridgecrest.

Many of our states have assemblies. Oklahoma has had its Falls Creek Assembly for many years, and Arkansas has had Siloam Springs operating many consecutive summers. Shocco Springs in Alabama, Clear Creek in Kentucky, and Deland in Florida are tremendous influences in the matter of unifying the efforts of the Baptists in their respective states. Texas has several assemblies. Other states have notable assemblies.

### Their Origin

Several years ago the writer wrote a thesis on the subject, "The History of the Alabama Baptist Encampment Movement". He learned in the course of his research work that our modern assemblies stemmed from two sources: first, the old camp meeting, and second, the Chautauqua Movement begun by Bishop Vincent at Lake Chautauqua, New York. Many readers may remember the old "Chautauquas" and the camp meetings. Both did much good in the days of their usefulness.

### Their Value

The values of assemblies are numerous. Claiming the summer vacations with a positive educational, inspirational, and recreational program is a wide procedure for Baptists. People have a place where they can take their families or send their young people without fear or doubt. Those who attend our assemblies have the opportunity of meeting choice Baptist leaders and hear our greatest preachers.

The leaders of our various phases of work have the opportunity of promoting their work among people who will return to their churches and use and instruct others to use best methods and procedures.

### Camp Garaywa

Mississippi has its Camp Garaywa. Under the leadership of our W. M. U. This camp was built and is now being operated the whole summer. There is not a better camp of its kind in the southland. How proud Mississippi Baptists should be of this great camp! It is very valuable and is being used

wisely.

### Another Assembly?

Should Mississippi Baptists have another assembly? Should we have a place where the Sunday School, Training Union, Brotherhood, Music, and other interests could be fostered? There are those in Mississippi who feel this is one of our major needs. One of our outstanding pastors write recently urging us to consider carefully this possibility.

The future of assemblies in Mississippi lies in the hands of Mississippi Baptists. What is done is dependent upon the feeling of need, the conviction, the resolution of our people. Personally, we feel that a full summer assembly program that will include all of our causes will be worth the cost and the effort.

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### NEW BSU SECRETARY



MISS EMMA GRACE ROSS

Shown above is Miss Emma Grace Ross, of Pelahatchie, who is the new BSU Secretary for Pearl River College, at Poplarville. She is a graduate of MSCW, and also of the WMU Training School at Louisville.

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### C. J. Smyly Is Now Serving Canal Point

#### Lowrey Memo. Progress Noted

Rev. C. J. Smyly, who resigned at Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain, effective June 15, is now in his pastorate at Canal Point, Florida, where he succeeded Dr. Elmo Scoggin. Dr. Scoggin resigned the Canal Point Church in order to accept an appointment to Jerusalem as a missionary.

During his seven-year pastorate at Lowrey Memorial, there were 1,105 additions, 921 by letter. Gifts to all causes have increased considerably including the raising of \$35,000 dollars on the building fund. A church library was established and developed to 700 volumes. Two adult unions were organized in the Training Union and a story hour begun. The Sunday School added several classes and a Vacation Bible School program was set up.

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IF YOUR BOSS WENT AWAY ON A vacation and did not pay you any salary during the time he was gone would it put a financial hardship on you? You put your church in the same position when you do not make up the Sundays you are absent. The expenses of your church go on just the same. Don't let others bear your part.—Bowmar Ave. Bulletin.



Shown above is one of several groups recently baptized by the Second Church, Calhoun City. There have been 25 additions up to this time in this associational year. Those shown, left to right, are: Nancy Scarbrough, Mrs. Betty Jean Cook, Billy Lee, Rev. R. B. Hicks, Thomas Morgan, Joyce McNair, Sarah Francis Spears, Byrd Julian Hicks and Alex Lucius.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT OF Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Mississippi gave a total of \$34,897 for Southwide Causes during the month of June. Of this amount, \$33,278 was for the Cooperative Program and \$1,619 was designated.

"THE CHRISTIAN'S CROSS-BEARING is not only a tribute to his God; it is also a testimony and an inspiration to the non-Christian who is about to fall under the weight of his burden."—John L. Hill, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

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## Going On Vacation?

Perhaps the most used word during the month of July and August will be "Vacation". Recently the bulletin of the First Church, Pascagoula, devoted a whole page to the subject of vacations. We are indebted to this bulletin for some of the ideas given below.

In the first place, it is suggested that when we go on vacation we take God with us. Some people seem to have the idea that when they leave home they should leave religion and God behind. Not so. We need Him always and everywhere.

Again, we should pack our quarterlies. Of course, most people carry too much baggage. But your quarterly will not be excess baggage. Include your Bible, Sunday School and Training Union quarterlies. And study your Sunday School lesson and read your Training Union daily Bible readings.

Sunday comes every seven days whether you are on vacation or not. Some vacationists seem to overlook the fact that Sunday comes in vacation land as well as at home. Be sure to attend Sunday School, Training Union and worship services. If you are travelling, stop for an hour or so and attend the church that happens to be on your route at the proper hour.

Don't forget prayer meeting. You will thoroughly enjoy the blessings in store for you in a strange church away from home. Be certain to meet the pastor. Tell him who you are and where you are from. He may know some of your friends.

Another good suggestion is that church bulletins, printed papers, mimeographed forms, plans and programs be collected. Mail them to your church. Perhaps the pastor and other workers at home will

A big silver dollar and a little brown cent,  
Rolling along together they went;  
Rolling along the big sidewalk,  
When the dollar remarked, for a dollar can talk,



"You poor little cent, you cheap little mite,  
I'm bigger than you and twice as bright;  
And yet," said the cent, with a meek little sigh,  
"You don't go to church as often as I!"



get some good ideas. And while you are mailing these bulletins, be certain to include your regular tithes and offerings. The expenses of the home church go on whether you are there or not.

Don't forget to pray for the home church. Pray that the power of God may be felt in the services. Pray for the pastor, pray for the church as a whole and also pray for your own particular departments.

Finally, go to church the first Sunday you are at home. Be certain to take enough rest so that you will not feel tired that first Sunday. You are needed in the church and you need the church.

—BR—

## We Commend The Committee

On page one of last week's Baptist Record will be found an article naming the highlights of the July 3 meeting of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

The Committee deserves the thanks of all Mississippi Baptists. They travel long distances and lose much time from their work in order to serve on this committee. At least four meetings are held each year and usually several extra meetings are necessary.

In order that Mississippi Baptists may understand the actions taken at the meeting on July 3, we offer a few words of explanation.

In requesting Secretary Quarles to prepare a statement on policy, the Committee sought to make it plain why it was unable to grant requests for Building and Pastoral Aid except in cases of unusual emergency. The case of the Anding Church fits that description. Usual building programs, however needy, do not.

The \$20,000 item for the First Church, Oxford, was not a grant. This money was appropriated in 1945 and has been held in trust for the Oxford Church by the Foundation.

Printing of statistical information as approved by the Committee will be a progressive step long needed. At present, associational minutes are about our only source of statistical information. Persons needing state-wide figures must come to Baptist Headquarters and check through available associa-

tional minutes. And usually three or four minutes are missing.

The request of BSU Secretary Charles W. Horner is an appeal for adequate funds to carry on his department. In some way, at the last meeting of the Convention Board, insufficient funds were allocated to the BSU Department.

Many of our future leaders are in our college BSU's now. A modest increase in the BSU budget will mean much in years to come.

The purchase of the modern accounting machine is good business. Mississippi Baptists are in big business. Not only do they seek to win souls but they have large property holdings and much money passes through the Convention Board office each year. This machine will eliminate much hand work and simplify much of the bookkeeping procedure. Our business deserves good tools and this is one of them.

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## Convention Comment

The 1950-Southern Baptist Convention's story has been told. We are minded, however, to express deep gratitude to our Illinois brethren for their unsurpassed hospitality. They withheld no kindness, no favor within their power to grant.

The Convention has met in larger auditoriums, and in smaller. The amplifying system at times created difficulties; but we recall other convention auditoriums in which we experienced difficulty in hearing. Some of the good brethren have written at considerable length and with some sharpness about the few inconveniences, and have neglected too much the real and larger values. After all, our brethren in Illinois did not build the Coliseum, and they selected neither the chairs nor the amplifying system; but they did give us a genuine and heartfelt welcome with their Christian love—elements which soften seats and beautify surroundings.

We went to Chicago to transact business for our Master, not to sit in an art gallery. The time may have come for some of us to get down to the real business of "enduring hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ."

This writer does not recall having been in a friendlier city. In the splendid hotels, on the streets, in

business houses, everywhere the people were friendly. Many who seemingly were not Baptists broke over the usual reserve and spoke to us on the streets, asking about the Convention, and hoped we were enjoying Chicago. We were! They are great people.—Editor R. T. Skinner in the Western Recorder (Ky.).

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## Zurich Seminary, A Symbol Of Freedom

Baptists in America would find it hard to live as a minority group under a state church, but that is the situation of our Baptist brethren in the countries of Europe. For them there is frequent discouragement and sometimes oppression. Our Southern Baptist Seminary at Zurich, Switzerland, established a year ago, has already lifted the morale of small Baptist groups by offering to them active participation in a large and important worldwide fellowship and program.

We may confidently expect this institution to extend its influence by calling the attention of others to the fact that Baptists are a numerous people with a zeal for truth and freedom.

### Favorable Leadership

Under the capable leadership of Dr. George W. Sadler as administrator and Dr. Josef Nordenhaug as president, the seminary will likely prove to be the most significant undertaking made by the Foreign Mission Board. Dr. Nordenhaug, a native of Norway, is a graduate of the Louisville Seminary. He served as a pastor in Virginia and as an editor for the Foreign Mission Board, all of which makes him more qualified for his most recent assignment.

### Favorable Setting

Switzerland, as a stronghold of democracy, affords a friendly atmosphere, and the climate is stimulating. The beautiful buildings, and the high standards fixed and maintained by the faculty and the administration will, in time, give the seminary recognition among neighboring institutions of learning. The school will help European Christians to associate once more sound scholarship with genuine evangelistic fervor.

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## PELAHATCHIE ORGANIZES BWC AT BANQUET JULY 7

The young women of the Pelahatchie Church at a banquet given by the WMS voted to organize a Business Woman's Circle. Mrs. R. E. McDonald, wife of the pastor, was elected as advisor; Mrs. Ola Davis, circle chairman. The circle was named for Miss Minnie Landrum, missionary to Brazil.

At the banquet on July 7, Mrs. R. E. McDonald served as toastmaster and Mrs. Noland M. Kennedy was the guest speaker.



## Our Readers Write

Dear Brother Goodrich:

Enclosed herewith is an article for the Baptist Record. I'm also enclosing my check for \$1.50 for a one year subscription to the paper. If you publish my article, I want to subscribe. If not, please return the check.

Comment: Dear Brother:

I'm returning herewith your check as you coupled it with the demand that we publish the article which you enclosed. I'm also returning the article. We do not publish articles because people subscribe to the Baptist Record. We publish articles because we think they have a value for our readers. We publish articles for people who subscribe and for people who do not subscribe. The fact that a person subscribes is no guarantee that we will publish their articles. If you wish to subscribe, you may send us your subscription. If you wish to submit your article, I shall be glad to consider it and publish it if I think it worthwhile.

Dear Brother Goodrich:

I would like to suggest that you write us a good editorial soon in the Baptist Record on proper methods of conducting the business of a Baptist church.

We have many number of churches in this section of our state that are almost completely wrecking churches by their unscriptural and unbaptistic practices.

This is the way it is done. The S. S. Supt. will ask every Sunday morning, "Is there any business to come before the S. S.?" And if it is a day when the pastor is not there some one will tell of a preacher that wants to preach at the church and without calling the church into conference and electing a moderator pro tem they put it to a vote of the S. S. and invite this preacher to come into the church without ever consulting the pastor.

This has resulted in the resignation of a number of good pastors in this section and is the cause of having several pastorless churches in our association right now, besides many others in adjoining associations that I know of.

Such practices as this cannot be hit too hard and I personally believe that a good strong editorial in the Baptist Record along this line would be of great help.

Comment: No preacher should accept an invitation to preach in a church without the pastor's O. K. Nor should a church invite anyone without the pastor's O. K.

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## Clyde Gordon Is Secretary Of Pearl River Pastors

Picayune.—Rev. Clyde Gordon, pastor of New Palestine Church, west of Picayune, was elected secretary of the Pastors' Conference of Pearl River County, at the July meeting in Union Baptist Church at Caesar. He succeeds the Rev. Charles R. Davis, who is moving to Melrose, Fla.

During the business session, they voted against the proposed legalization of beer in Picayune. Pastors present and voting were S. P. Powell, Caesar; C. G. Wells, Carriere; Charles R. Davis, Roseland Park; Ben Landrum, Ozona; Donald Bennett, Carriere; Judson Chastain, Poplarville; Clyde Gordon, Palestine; and John R. Maddox, Picayune First.

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**LISTEN TO THE DRUMS (40c)** Instantly makes one think of Nigeria. The colorfully written book will interest Intermediates and Young People, especially, in Nigeria and its people. Southern Baptists work in Nigeria, in spite of the many difficulties, has made a gratifying progress. Written by O. F. Eaglesfield the book is published by the Broadman Press. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

## Margaret Cloud Wed To Lonnie Cooper



MISS MARGARET E. CLOUD

Miss Margaret E. Cloud and Lonnie Cooper were married in an impressive ceremony in the chapel of the Parkway Church, Jackson, on July 16 at 7:45 a. m. Dr. G. Norman Price, pastor, officiated, assisted by the brother of the bride, Rev. James M. Cloud of LaBlanca, Texas.

The bride was attended by her niece, Miss Mary Blanche Cloud, and the groom was attended by Willard Nations.

Only relatives and close friends attended.

Mr. Cooper lives in Morton and is engaged in the saw-mill industry. Miss Cloud has been employed by the Baptist Record Mailing Department about seven years, and is now the Mailing Supervisor.

They will make their home in Morton.

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## Cross Roads Completes VBS

There were 44 enrolled in the Vacation Bible School at Cross Roads Church, Pelahatchie which closed July 14. The offering was designated for the Clarke College building fund.

Superintendents of the departments were: Mrs. A. D. Varner, Beginners; Mrs. Troy Gray, Primaries; Mrs. Winnie Morgan, Junior; Miss Oree Varner, Intermediates. Mrs. R. D. Moon served as general secretary; Miss Eugenia Howell, principal.

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**"A SUNDAY SCHOOL HAS TO MAKE progress even to stand still."**—Harold E. Ingraham, The Sunday School Builder.

## More Than Half of Southwestern Churches Give Less Than Ten Per Cent To Missions

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—An analysis of the 7,110 Southern Baptist churches in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Arkansas, revealed that over half give less than ten per cent of their total gifts to missions. Only one out of 100 churches give more than 50 per cent. The survey was made by Porter Routh, secretary of the Department of Survey, Statistics and Information. A complete breakdown of the study is as follows:

Churches and State	Nothing or Less Than 10%	10-20%	20-30%	30-40%	40-50%	50%
Tex. (3,445)	1,093 49.1%	1,134 32.9%	436 12.7%	113 3.3%	29 0.8%	40 1.2%
La. (1,019)	552 54.2%	340 33.4%	94 9.2%	24 2.3%	14 1.4%	5 0.5%
Miss. (1,637)	920 56.6%	435 26.7%	169 10.4%	67 4.1%	25 1.5%	11 0.7%
Ark. (1,019)	523 51.3%	296 29.0%	127 12.5%	36 3.5%	20 2.0%	17 1.7%
Total (7,110)	2,098 51.9%	2,205 31.0%	816 11.5%	240 3.4%	88 1.2%	73 1.0%

## A SAMPLE OF (Continued From Page One)

**CHURCH AND ONLY ONE**—and that is our Mother the Holy Roman Apostolic Catholic Church—and not your false "so-called Church of Christ"—which is the Devil's own church.

You have absolutely no right to be in Italy.—The Italians are members of the True Church and they don't need your lousy protestant missionaries to confuse and mislead them—so you had better stay out of where you don't belong.

Furthermore, unless you repent and confess your sin and come back to the true Roman Catholic Church, the agonies of perpetual torture in Purgatory and Hell await you—together with Mrs. Roosevelt, Bishop Oxnun and all others who dare attack the Holy Roman Church and our holy father Pope Pius XII.

I am asking the holy sisters and nuns of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of God to pray for you, and maybe you will be converted to the True Faith. If the Roman Catholic Church were not true, it would not be the largest, richest, biggest and best church on earth, which it most surely is. Furthermore, hundreds of thousands of former false protestants are daily being converted to the Church by Monsignor Sheen and others.

Yours in the Bleeding Heart of

Mary  
FRANCES XAVIER O'TOOLE

Reproduced:

18 January 1950

From the Gospel Advocate of January 19, 1950:

"History is repeating itself. What has happened to minority groups in Spain, Mexico, South America and other Catholic-controlled countries is being done in Italy. Catholic leaders, from the pope up or down as you wish to take it, have been loud in their 'pious' defense of religious freedom—but what they mean by religious freedom is freedom for Catholics, but no others—to do as they please. . . Never would we in America deny any man the right to take an orphan boy off the streets, feed and cloth him and give him a home. None would dream of denying any organization the right to clothe the naked and feed the hungry—yet these things are being denied the workers in Italy."

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**"THE NEXT BEST THING TO KNOWING how is to earnestly want to know how."**—Harold E. Ingraham, The Sunday School Builder.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

July 16, 1950

Jackson, Calvary	139	284
Jackson, Elaine	135	59
Jackson, North Side	446	154
Jackson, Parkway	742	274
Parkway Chapel	118	38
Jackson, Van Winkle	399	217
Jackson, First	1169	375
Jackson, Daniel		
Memorial	345	154
Jackson, Davis Memorial	499	251
Jackson, South Side	297	114
East Fork (Amite County)	106	63
Ridgeland	66	40
Rocky Creek	226	135
East McComb	477	264
Locust Street Mission	38	
Kosciusko, First	560	139
Gulfport, First	634	188
Steens Creek	160	76
Shady Grove (George)	153	108
Lucedale	321	128
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	92	100
Columbus, First	783	233
Bruce	363	108
Union (Pike County)	53	62
Crystal Springs	640	173
Long Creek		
(Lauderdale County)	100	78
Friendship (Lincoln County)	106	127
Pearlhaven	184	83
Brookhaven, First	728	197
Brookhaven, Central Chapel	128	86
Brookhaven, Hamilton		
St. Chapel	124	96
South McComb	238	62
Mission	61	44
Bethlehem (Jones County)	112	97
Cherry Creek	97	79
Weir	107	50
Oloh (Lamar County)	78	87
West Corinth	186	91
Fair River (Lincoln County)	126	67
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	111	35
Zion (Pontotoc County)	107	40
East Louisville	88	61
Clarksdale	550	139
Mantee	112	137
Center (Union County)	177	53
Wallerville	92	51
Main Street	840	229
Kunker Hill	334	188
Laurel, First	551	138
Paynes	166	76
Meridian, First	702	77
Meridian, Highland	519	174
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	496	114
Meridian, South Side	326	120
Meridian, Eighth Avenue	308	108
Meridian, Forty-First Avenue	251	55
Meridian, Key Field	198	29
Meridian, Oak Grove	156	93
Meridian,		
Poplar Springs Drive	290	118
Mission	45	
Calvary (Amite County)	75	103
Union Chapel (Chicasaw County)	54	43
Pascagoula, First	652	245
Pascagoula, Eastlawn		
Mission	113	61
Pascagoula,		
McArthur Mission	34	
Pascagoula, Unity Mission	73	49
Pascagoula, Jackson		
Avenue Mission	28	
Laurel, Second Avenue	403	113
Joe Wheeler Chapel	49	

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**"PLAYTIME" (\$2.25)** BY AGNES Durant Pylant is a book of social recreation written specifically for church organizations, and published by the Sunday School Board's own Broadman Press. It contains 10 parties for Juniors, 19 for Intermediates and Young People, 5 for Adults and 7 for the whole church family. They specialize in simplicity and inexpensive fun. It's just what leaders have been looking for to give your parties a new shot in the arm. Order from the Baptist Book Store.



## BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson  
Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi

### Scott Co. Training Union Meets

Mrs. W. L. Latham, reporter for the Scott Co. Associational Training Union gives a good report of the last meeting of the association. The meeting was at Harpersville with an attendance of 266. Twenty five churches were represented. A good program was presented with a special message by Associational Missionary Roy Self using the subject Revival Fires. Cash church won the attendance banner and Hillsboro the efficiency banner. The next meeting is scheduled to be at Clifton. Mrs. Latham says that interest in the Training Union is growing rapidly. We are happy to have this good report from Scott.

### Old Oak In Union County Organizes Union

Associational Director Horace Thomas of Union Co. reports a newly organized union in the Old Oak Church. Mr. Thomas is working hard to bring the association to a 100 per cent Training Union association, meaning a union in every church. More than twenty churches now have a union and one by one he is getting them in the churches. Miss Edna Gatlin was elected director of the Old Oak Church and they are beginning right by having a study course within two weeks after being organized.

### Mt. Tabor, Calhoun Co. Organizes Union

Again we hear from Calhoun Co. Mrs. E. E. Barton, Associational Director continues to push the lines forward, taking a church here and one there for Training Union. The last one to "surrender" is Mt. Tabor. Mrs. Barton with Brother John Laney, Associational Missionary, Mrs. Goodson and Mrs. Burt visited this church and helped them set up the organization. They have gone back and given a demonstration of the work, and are planning for them to have a study course in August. Mrs. Barton in reporting this new union also reported a great associational Mass Meeting on June 18th with 320 in attendance from eighteen churches. Eleven pastors and eleven directors were present. The attendance banner went to Second Calhoun City, and the Efficiency Banner went to First Calhoun City. The meeting was held at Macedonia Church.

### Twenty Special Workers Begin a Five Weeks Program

This week we have twenty young people working in ten churches in two counties. This is our special summer program in progress. Ten of these workers are in a group working in north Mississippi, Tippah Co. this week; Union Co. next week; Pontotoc Co. the week of July 29-August 4; Calhoun August 5-11; Montgomery-Carroll August 12-18. Another group of ten is working in south Mississippi, Rankin Co. this week; Newton Co. next week; Jasper Co. the week of July 29-August 4; Smith the week of August 5-11, and Simpson Co. the week of August 12-18.

Two workers to a church each week. This program will make it possible for us to serve fifty churches some of which have never had a study course, and some have never had a union. This program is made possible

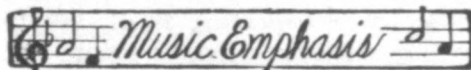
through the Associational missionaries, directors, and pastors whose cooperation we greatly appreciate.

### "He Makes Me Sing"

Mrs. Harold E. Ingraham of Nashville has made a worthy contribution to our music by giving us three splendid choruses, all in one folder printed on heavy stock, this making it easy to set up on the piano. These choruses are God is Able, He Makes Me Sing, and Every Member of the Family go to Sunday School. (It will be easy to add a second verse to this last number and let it read "Every Member of the Family go to Training Union" leaving this second verse off will still leave this a good chorus for Training Unions to sing as every training union worthy of its name will be a good booster for the Sunday School, and for every other department of the church life. These sheets are available at the Baptist Book Store at 15 cents per copy. The music and words are both written by Mrs. Ingraham.

### A Correction Please

In publishing the names of those who would represent the districts in the various activities at the State Training Union Convention we failed to give the name of little Miss Betty Sue Goodwin of Grenfield Church, Union Co. who will represent District Five in the Junior Memory Work Drill. Betty Sue had a perfect score and we are sorry to have erred in not giving her name in the first announcement.



### Ratings of District Ensembles And Hymn Players

**Ensembles:** Sardis, Superior. Courtland, Good. New Hope, Drew, Excellent. Bethany, Merigold, Excellent. Ruleville, Excellent. Indianola, Excellent. Duck Hill, Superior. Tutwiler, Excellent. Salem, Collins, Excellent. Prentiss, Excellent. Bunker Hill, Excellent. First, McComb, Superior. Friendship, McComb, Excellent. East McComb, Superior. South McComb, Excellent. Friendship, Brookhaven, Superior. First, Durant, Superior. Unity, West, Excellent. First, Crystal Springs, Superior. Van Winkle, Superior. Bethesda, Terry, Excellent.

**Hymn Players:** Betty Rowsey, Liberty Hill, Pope, Excellent. Emma Lou Faulkner, Batesville, Excellent. Ruth Byars, Darling, Good. Elizabeth Sanders, Darling, Excellent. Albert Lance Travis, Batesville, Excellent. Patricia Jean Hazel, Excellent. Ann Dickery, Eudora, Superior. Margaret Woodall, Coffeeville, Good. Hal Parish, Phillip, Good. Janet Shook, Paynes, Excellent. Dorothy Smith, Tutwiler, Excellent. Donnie Bolland, Paynes, Superior. Nancy Stone, Coffeeville, Superior. Joann Bamberg, Kilmichael, Excellent. Mary Tucker, Duck Hill, Excellent. Yvonne Kelly, Phillip, Excellent. Margaret Virginia Weeks, 1st Indianola, Superior. Peggy Ann Grant, Linn, Doddsville, Excellent. Margaret Redden, Pace, Superior. Dixie Faye Smith, Ruleville, Excellent. Anne Hood, Linn, Doddsville, Excellent.

The above list represents the last

## BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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DR. CHARLES L. TREADWAY

Pictured above is Dr. Charles F. Treadway, until recently Pastor of First Church, Cleveland, home of Delta State, and now Pastor of First Church, Columbia, who is our State BSU Pastor-Advisor. "Dr. Charlie" entered the ministry at 18, received his Th. M. and Th. D. degrees from Louisville Seminary, where he served as fellow to Dr. G. S. Dobbins in the Religious Education and Evangelism Departments, and became pastor of First Church, Cleveland, in February of 1943. Last summer he toured eleven countries in Europe and attended the Baptist World Youth Congress in Stockholm, Sweden. Pray for Dr. Treadway in his new pastorate and as he continues as our beloved Pastor-Advisor.

### Potpourri

We thank the Lord for the continuance of victories for Christ in many Youth Revivals. Miss. Baptists should

greatly expand our Student Work. One way would be to build more Student Centers. . . It is as religious to save our young people at home as it is the boys and girls of Africa and China.—Mrs. J. M. Dawson. . . Was privileged to tell of our Student Summer Missions program at Adult I Training Union, First, Jackson, and to hear Howard Butt during Calvary, Jackson, Youth Revival. . . Many of our churches have held and are planning to hold Youth Week when the young people; for a week, occupy the important positions of the church such as pastor and deacons. We salute the Training Union for this worthy program. . . BSU Secretary of MSCW, Gwendolyn Boyett, recently visited MSCW BSU prexy, Bennie Hartzog, while Bennie was working at the Italian Mission in Birmingham. . . Fifty-five attended a recent party at E. Central Jr., where 11 unsaved are reported. . . Eleven unsaved are also reported from Delta State. One Delta Stater recently joined the Cleveland Church. . . Ole Miss has 639 Baptists this summer, the BSU led Prayer Meeting in the absence of the pastor, and four fellowship suppers have recently been held. . . Addresses of our Summer Missionaries are as follows: Betty Cooper, Box 315, Kahului, T. H.; Maurine Sparkman, c-o Baptist School, 2323 University Ave., Honolulu 14, T. H.; Billy Causey, Box 750, Ketchikan, Alaska; Jean Faulkner, Box 1449, Lemon Grove California. Write them airmail of your interest and prayers. In addition, Miriam Preston, of Blue Mtn., is at the same address as Maurine, and Laura Thompson, one of our '49ers, is back in Calif., can be reached through 1605 M St., Fresno.

### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- July 24—Rev. J. I. Berryhill, Lee County Convention Board member; Jr. R. A. Camp, Districts 3 and 7, at Garaywa.
- July 25—P. T. Eubanks, Lamar County Brotherhood President; Coach S. L. Robinson, Mississippi College faculty.
- July 26—Mrs. Andrew Alexander, District II, Young People's Counselor; Mrs. Karenza Gilfoy, Superintendent, Baptist Hospital.
- July 27—Harry G. Carpenter, Blue Mountain trustee; H. V. McRea, Wayne County B. T. U. Director.
- July 28—Mrs. T. W. Goodwin, Grenada Associational Sunday School superintendent; Rev. David Cranford, Clarke College trustee.
- July 29—Joe H. McCully, Baptist Orphanage trustee; Dr. Frank Moody Purser, Oxford, Mississippi Education Commission.
- July 30—Leland Speed, Jackson, trustee, Baptist Foundation.

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### DR. TOYOHIKO KAGAWA, WORLD-

renowned Japanese Christian leader, will not cancel his six-month evangelistic tour of the United States because of the uprising in Korea. J. Henry Carpenter, secretary of the Kagawa Committee, announced today. Kagawa had previously expressed concern about the impact of the Korean war on the political situation in Japan, and strongly considered cancelling his projected tour in the United States and Canada to return to his own country. D. Carpenter explained.

## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Rev. A. L. O'Brian gives up his pastorate at Clarksdale and announces his address as at Hardy, Miss.

### 40 YEARS AGO

Rev. J. W. Mayfield of Meridian, South Side Church, preached in the ten days meeting in Isola Church, with ten new members added, and church "greatly revived". Rev. W. E. Farr, pastor.

### 25 YEARS AGO

The West Laurel Church has passed through a great revival meeting resulting in 116 additions, 64 of them for baptism. Pastor W. H. Thompson had as helpers Rev. W. W. Kyzar as preacher and Singer M. E. Perry.

The revival with the Lake Church resulted in 25 additions during which Pastor J. L. Hughes was aided by Rev. J. J. Mayfield of Magnolia.

Evangelist A. D. Muse and Singer H. A. Hunderup were the helpers to Pastor E. S. Lynt in Central Coldwater Baptist Church resulting in eight accessions to the church.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT OF the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention Mississippi gave \$162,528 to the Cooperative Program during the first six months of this year. Also \$89,284 was designated, making a total of \$251,812.

participants of more than 800 young people who took part in the district music festivals in the month of June.



## — BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

### ELECTION TIME

August and September are busy months in church Brotherhoods as nominating committees prepare for the election of new officers to take charge about Oct. 1. Much thought and prayer should be given to the appointment of those committees, and each Brotherhood president should consult with the pastor about it. If there is a general nominating committee of the church, doubtless they will welcome suggestions from the men of the Brotherhood as to whom they wish for their officers for the new year.

We suggest that every Brotherhood in each church or association select a full set of officers. Usually there are six officers suggested, plus whatever activity committees may be needed. For church Brotherhood officers the final action of election is taken by the church in conference at the same time they elect officers and teachers for Sunday school and Training Union. The associational organization may select its officers for the new year, which should be approved by the association in its annual fall meeting. A brief installation or recognition service will be helpful. By all means the name and office of every man should be clearly stated at the time he stands in recognition when his name is acted upon in the meeting. Many Brotherhoods have found it wise to step men up from less important positions to those higher up instead of changing leadership completely to new men, thereby losing the benefit of leadership experience gained the previous term.

### A RESOLUTION

Thirty-three years in the van of Baptist Training, a third of a century of leadership in preparation of Christians for full measure of service! That is the history of Brother Auber J. Wilds, our State Baptist Training Union Secretary.

During these years, he has seen the Baptist Training Union grow almost from its swaddling clothes when it was impatiently tolerated in the church to the day when its presence is almost universally recognized as being indispensable to the church. He has seen all this progress and rejoiced in it, but, more, he has had a large part in its rapid and substantial growth and we are happy that the organization is finer, nobler, richer as the result of the unselfish devotion to our Auber J. Wilds.

During these years, he has given to us his best in talent, time, energy, effort, and unselfishness, and our Baptist Training Union, our denomination, our united cooperation. As Christians we have been made richer through these qualities and cooperation which have been his in our midst.

It is resolved, therefore, in this district meeting that we express to Brother Auber J. Wilds our genuine appreciation for what he has been, what he has meant, and what he has done, and for what he is, means, and is doing, for us in our work for the Master, and that we pledge to him our prayers, support, cooperation, and energies to an even greater accomplishment in his remaining many years of service in the Master's cause.

KERMIT R. COFER,  
President  
ANNIE LOU ANTHEENS  
Secretary

### PRESIDENT'S WORK SHEET

#### July

Brotherhood officers may plan special effort for July and August to boost Sunday night church attendance, also Wednesday night prayer meeting.

#### August

President should consult pastor and appoint a nominating committee for new officers, to report in September.

Help the pastor get some weeks of vacation and rest, carry on in his absence.

#### September

Hold election of officers; see that each nominee is contacted personally about serving. (Church should approve or elect Brotherhood officers in September or October church conference.)

Executive Committee should meet, finish all work as planned before new officers take over.

#### RIDGECREST

The time draws near for men to meet at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, for the annual Baptist Brotherhood Conference. The week of August 17-23, will be devoted to Brotherhood work. There will be discussions of all phases of Brotherhood work and practically every state in the Southern Baptist Convention will be represented by one or more speakers on the program. Reservation should be made in advance by writing to Manager Robert P. Guy, Southern Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C., and enclosing \$2.00 registration fee with an explanation of the hotel space desired.



Shown above is the modern pastorium recently built by Fair River Church in Lincoln County. Rev. James P. Brewer is the pastor. Much of the lumber was taken from the church property. Enough still remains to be used for additional building which the church plans for the fall.



Shown above is the attractive sign on the highway between Brookhaven and Monticello directing people to the Fair River Church, located about a mile from the highway.

## John Trent Resigns Columbia Pastorate To Be Evangelist



REV. JOHN S. TRENT

Rev. John S. Trent has resigned as pastor of the Calvary Church in Columbia in order to go into full-time evangelistic work. He has served in pastorates for six years and prior to his pastorates, served three years in the field of evangelism.

During his pastorate at New Hope Church in Marion County, Mr. Trent led in a tent revival at Columbia, out of which Calvary Church was organized. He resigned the New Hope pastorate in order to begin as full-time pastor of Calvary Church in April, 1947. A budget of \$5,000 was adopted for the first year. Five Sunday School rooms have been added to the building which was deeded to the church by the First Church, Columbia. New chairs have been purchased at a cost of \$500 and an electric sign has been erected. A piano was recently purchased by the WMU for the Primary Department. The church now has 100 members.

Mr. Trent is a graduate of Clarke College and of Mississippi College. He studied at the New Orleans Seminary and at Moody Bible Institute. His address is P. O. Box 14, Columbia.

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### TWO PROFESSIONS MADE IN HARPERVILLE VBS

The Daily Vacation Bible School was held July 1-7 at the Harpersville Church. 65 students were enrolled with twelve faculty members assisting.

The last day two Juniors made professions of faith. One Intermediate and one Junior dedicated their lives for special service.

Mrs. T. V. Beasley was principal. Rev. B. E. Padgett is pastor.

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### Arbor Grove Revival To Begin July 23

Arbor Grove Church in Chickasaw County will begin its revival on July 23. The pastor, Rev. W. C. Ballard of Wren, will do the preaching. Deacon Roy Doss will have charge of the music, with Mrs. W. C. Weaver as pianist.

Superintendent Baron Neal will have charge of the prayer services. The young people of Arbor Grove and Macedonia Churches will take parts in the devotionals.

Pastor Ballard has led in 19 of the revivals during his 20 years as pastor. In the last revival there were 21 additions.

### CARROLLTON HAS 1ST VBS

Carrollton and North Carrollton have just completed the first Vacation Bible School ever held in either churches. Rev. H. H. Ward, associational missionary, served as principal of the school.

A total of 83 pupils were enrolled. The offering, \$14.40, was sent to the Cooperative Program. Rev. M. S. Riley is the Carrollton pastor.

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### ACTIVITIES NOTED OF AN ASSOC. MISSIONARY

Many people over the state have asked what an associational missionary does. Here is a record of the activities of Rev. W. E. Hardy, missionary in the Union Association during one month:

Twelve churches have been visited; 14 sermons delivered; 19 prayer meetings led; one church organized at Washington with 23 members; 2 study classes have been taught; 3 Vacation Bible Schools were planned and the missionary assisted in two others; 29 conferences were led for pastors and others; 3 conferences attended; 102 visits made; the missionary travelled 2606 miles; and five professions of faith were reported.

Much correspondence has also been necessary. The missionary serves Adams, Claiborne and Jefferson counties and is acting as supply pastor for the newly organized church.

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### Eight Professions In Improve VBS

Improve Church in Marion County held its Vacation Bible School June 19-30 with 103 enrolled. Eight professions of faith were made at the close of the school. Rev. J. Thomas Tolar is the pastor.

In addition to the regular departments, a nursery department was added to the school. The offering, \$20.73, was designated for the Cooperative Program on its 25th Anniversary.

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### HEBRON VBS ENROLLS 55

Hebron Church in Lauderdale County held its Vacation Bible School recently with an enrolment of 55. Rev. V. R. Meadows, pastor, was the principal, assisted by ten workers.

Refreshments were served each day and each department had a work project.

Following the commencement program, visitors were invited to view their handiwork.

An offering of \$20.84 was designated for missions.

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### Church Groups Hail Montana Court Decision

Helena, Mont.—(RNS)—Decisions of the State Supreme Court outlawing slot machines and billboard advertising of beer were hailed by the Montana Council of Churches and ministerial associations.

The Montana Council of Churches had been working for a ban on all slot machines in the state.

In its decision the high court ruled that "payment of tax or license on a business prohibited by law does not make it legal."

Editor's note: We suggest a test of the Mississippi black market tax. Probably the Supreme Court would rule it illegal.



## MWA Elects Officers

The Nominating Committee of the Ministers' Wives Association at Clinton recently elected the following officers for the summer term: Mrs. John Cook, Jr., president; Mrs. Ulvie Fitts, vice-president; Mrs. Albert Clarke, secretary; Mrs. Aubrey Moore, treasurer; Mrs. Lloyd Burkhalter, program chairman; Mrs. Edsol Wells, chorister; Mrs. James Melton, pianist; Mrs. Guy Henderson, missionary chairman.

Two guest speakers were heard during the June meeting, Rev. Guy Bellamy, of the Home Mission Board, spoke on the work among the Negroes at the meeting in the home of Mrs. Homer Ainsworth. Rev. G. C. Rodriguez, home missionary from Roswell, New Mexico spoke on the work among the Mexicans at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Judd Allen. Both programs were arranged by Mrs. Guy Henderson.

On June 29 the MWA met at Camp Garaywa where those present heard Dr. Matsuta Hara discuss the conditions of our Baptist School in Japan.

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## Oloh Revival Adds 6; Deacons Ordained

Revival services began at Oloh Church on July 2 with Rev. Donald Bennett preaching at the morning service and leading the singing during the remainder of the services.

An ordination service was held in the afternoon with Rev. J. T. Chapman preaching the ordination sermon and preaching in each service of the revival beginning with the evening service.

Those ordained as deacons were Andrew J. Pace, Delbert Sumrall, and Woodrow Rushing.

Rev. L. D. Hall, pastor of Greenville Church (Lamar County Association) gave the charge to church and deacons.

Baptismal service was held at the close of the revival with six candidates being baptized.

Rev. G. L. Taylor is the pastor.

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## Spanish Gov't. Reaffirms Protestant Restrictions

Madrid—(RNS)—The Spanish government's ban on "external demonstrations" or any public activity by Protestant bodies in Spain was reaffirmed by the Ministry of Interior in a letter made public here.

Published in the Protestant Evangelical Circular, the letter was in reply to a petition submitted to Generalissimo Franco by representatives of an estimated 15,000 Protestants in Spain who asked for "measures of legal protection."

The letter declared that the Spanish government recognizes that the right of private worship is guaranteed to all creeds by Spanish law, but it warned that the law forbids public demonstrations, or any proselytizing or propagandizing by other than the Roman Catholic Church.

It recalled that Article 6 of the Spanish Charter of July 13, 1945, stipulated that "none shall be molested for their religious beliefs or the private practice of their worship," but added that "no other ceremonies or external demonstrations than those of the Catholic religion shall be permitted."

## REVIVAL BEGINS JULY 23 AT MT. ZION, LINCOLN



REV. E. H. DEARMAN

The revival at Mt. Zion Church, Lincoln County, will begin Sunday, July 23. The preacher will be Rev. E. H. Dearman, pastor of the First Church, Kentwood, La.

A native of Mississippi and former Mississippi pastor, Mr. Dearman has been pastor at Kentwood for twelve years. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Seminary.

On Sunday there will be morning, afternoon, and night services, with dinner served to all at the noon hour. Monday through Friday services will begin at ten o'clock in the mornings and 7:30 in the evening.

Paul Thompson will lead the singing. Rev. Elton Barlow is the pastor.

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## MRS. MELITA BARBER OXNER TATE

Mrs. Melita Barber Oxner Tate, 64, passed away May 6, 1950, in a Jackson hospital after several weeks illness.

Funeral services were held at Mt. Zion Church in Lake County, where she was a member, with the pastor, Rev. James Griffith, and Rev. G. O. Parker, her former pastor, officiating. Interment was in the Mt. Zion Cemetery.

She is survived by one son, Rev. Chester Oxner, Biloxi; one step-daughter and three sisters. Mrs. Lelitha Bates of Hattiesburg; Mrs. Leda Joiner, Sebastopol, and Miss Lula Barbar, Walnut Grove.

Mrs. Melita was a faithful member of her church, a good neighbor and a devoted mother. She was kind to everyone.

She will be missed in her church and community, but we know that she has passed from a world of sin and sorrow to a home of eternal, peaceful bliss.

Lovingly submitted,  
MRS. MERITE SPEIR  
MRS. ADDIE BRANTLEY  
MRS. BETTIE UPTON.

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## Elraine Church To Have Youth Revival July 23-30

A Youth Revival has been planned at the Elraine Church, Jackson, in which Rev. Richard Buckley, of Jackson, will do the preaching. The Elraine Young People will have charge of the music. The date is July 23-30.

Lee Hudson has been elected as youth pastor. Publicity and program committees have been appointed. Cottage prayer services are being promoted the week prior to the meeting and on Saturday night a prayer service will be held at the church.

Rev. R. R. Newman is the pastor.

## Mississippi College Having Successful Summer Session

The second term of summer school at Mississippi College began at Clinton last week and on the second day of the new term the total enrollment for the summer had reached 487, with 500 expected. Fifty-eight of these enrolled in the graduate courses which were started in June.

This is the Mississippi College Baptist centennial year. The school has been in operation for 124 years but came into Baptist hands in 1850 and now for 100 years has been one of the greatest assets of the Baptists of Mississippi. Now as it passes this milestone, bigger and better things are planned for the future.

In this centennial year the college has launched an Internal Improvement Program looking toward better personal guidance for the students, and improved instruction by a strengthened faculty. Several of the professors are away this summer studying in various universities and earning higher degrees.

In order to make Mississippi College a greater institution and one which would more nearly meet the needs of today, the graduate and professional work was started and an effort is being made to increase the endowment to \$3,000,000.00 so that the institution with its enlarged and improved services may be fore adequately financed.

There is not a school in Mississippi or any of the surrounding states where our young men and young women can get graduate training in a Baptist institution. Mississippi College wants to supply this need.

Over 200 of the 1200 students enrolled in Mississippi College during last session were ministerial students. The ratio of boys to girls was about two to one. Since students in Mississippi College pay only about half of what it takes to instruct them, it is necessary for the college to supply the other half from income from the endowment and from Cooperative Program receipts in order to maintain a thoroughly standardized, nationally recognized institution of higher learning. After the wonderful success of the Enlargement Program which was recently completed, Baptists of Mississippi should take courage and help the college reach the goal of the much needed \$3,000,000.00 endowment.

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## MRS. A. A. WARD

Funeral services were held at the Centreville Church on July 12 for Mrs. Nida Mooney Ward, 46, wife of Rev. A. A. Ward, Centreville pastor. Mrs. Ward died at the pectorium following a lengthy illness.

Rev. G. O. Parker, pastor of the First Church, Carthage, officiated and Rev. Evon Ingram, associational missionary, assisted. Burial was at the Mars Hill Cemetery, Carthage on Thursday morning, with Rev. H. J. McCool, of Gloster, officiating.

Acting pallbearers were: A. Q. Smith, C. J. Richardson, Bradley Tarver, M. E. Causey, John Rollins and Harris Jones.

Besides her husband and one son, Pete, she is survived by her mother, Mrs. L. V. Mooney, Edcouch, Tex.; three sisters: Mrs. A. D. Johnson, Jackson; Mrs. G. M. Ward, Edinburg; Mrs. Thelma Brooks, Boston, Mass.; four brothers: W. L. Mooney, Sundown, Texas; J. D. Mooney, Jackson; Sgt. Pat Mooney, Camp Cooke, Calif.; and E. H. Mooney, Edcouch, Texas.

## Licensed At Maben



GEORGE HAMMOND

George Hammond was licensed to preach the gospel by the Maben Church on July 9. Mr. Hammond served for four years in the Army. He has attended Bob Jones University for one year and plans to continue his college work at Mississippi College.

Mr. Hammond is the son of Mrs. Ella Gable of Maben.

Rev. George H. Moseley is pastor of the Maben Church.

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## PROHIBITION PETITIONS FILED IN ARKANSAS

Little Rock, Ark.—(RNS)—Initiative petitions to put a proposal for statewide prohibition on the November general election ballot in Arkansas were filed with the secretary of state's office.

Secretary of State C. G. Hall said the petitions contained the unusually large number of 53,244 signatures. Only 19,945 signatures were required.

Opponents of the proposal said they were considering court action to keep it off the ballot on the contention that the petitions were not filed in time to meet legal requirements.

C. C. Coulter, director of the Temperance League of Arkansas, sponsors of the prohibition proposal, said he would have been "surprised" if the wet forces had not tried such a move.

"They are always and naturally looking for grounds, real or imaginary, to stop any advances the dries try to make," he said.

Leading Protestant church groups are backing the prohibition move.

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## I GO ALONE

I go alone, through other years  
When you were by my side.  
Now shadows gather, alone no fears,  
Your spirit, my earthly guide.

Sweet music, flowers, your voice so dear,  
Life memories linger long.

I go alone, eye dimmed with tear  
To sing with you the song.

As mercy calls I go alone  
Some one must ever be.  
Ready, willing to make atone,  
Some come, some time to thee.

I go alone to view the place  
The sacred earth your grave.  
In silent prayer, God give me grace,  
Heaven help, I shall be brave.

Life's duty done, the path of love,  
God points us to the throne.  
There we will meet, in Heaven above  
No more—I go alone.

WALTER L. HUFFMAN



## Department of Temperance Activities

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The Fourth of July holiday weekend set a new high record of deaths by accident. Beverage alcohol took its toll in human life especially on our highways. Tragedy came to many homes plunging them into poignant sorrow as a result of this our Public Enemy Number One.

Mr. Burton W. Marsh, Traffic and Safety Engineer of the American Automobile Association labels the drinking autoists as "Death's Chief Handymen." Data presented at the annual meeting of the Highway Safety Committee of the A. A. A. in Washington, D. C., emphasized that widespread peril created by drinking drivers has been ignored by a large percentage of the motoring public. In this meeting Mr. Marsh said, "Comparatively few motorists realize that drunken driving rapidly is becoming death's chief handyman in road disasters. The man who really is intoxicated is less of a hazard than the chap who has had a few drinks."

This slaughter on our highways, and all other tragedies issuing from beverage alcohol, is what individuals vote for who are voting for beer and

whiskey. At the Judgement Bar of God the blood of these victims will drip from the finger tips of all who advocate or vote for beverage alcohol. God will, also, require their blood at the hands of those who make it, sell it, license it, drink it, advertise it, those who fail to stand up against it, and all those who encourage its traffic in any way. God says, "Woe to him that bulldeth a town with blood, and stablisheth a city by iniquity . . . Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink, that putteth thy bottle to him, and maketh him drunken also." (Habakkuk (2:12,15.)

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### DRYS WIN ELECTIONS

"In Alabama, Calhoun County, with a population of 63,319, voted May 2 to continue to prohibit the sale of distilled spirits. The vote was 5,801 to 4,419.

"Randolph County, Arkansas, population 18,319, which permitted the sale of liquor, voted May 11, 1,641 to 1,430, to prohibit such sale. The wet forces have contested this election and it will probably be several weeks before it's decided."

—NATIONAL VOICE.

### MARK LOWREY HAYNIE

Mark Lowrey Haynie died on June 26 in a Jackson hospital. Funeral services were held from Lowrey Memorial Church, Blue Mountain on June 28, with McBride Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. His former pastor, Dr. J. S. Riser, Jr., of Webb, conducted the services. Interment was in the Blue Mountain Cemetery.

Mr. Haynie was born in Corinth in 1881, and his parents, Ephraim F. and Jennie Lowrey Haynie, moved to Blue Mountain during his boyhood. He was educated at Blue Mountain and lived there all of his life. He served as postmaster, was a deacon and treasurer of Lowrey Memorial Church, and for more than a quarter of a century was bookkeeper at Blue Mountain College.

He married Miss Mattie Mitchell of Blue Mountain. Besides his wife, who is a member of the Blue Mountain faculty, he leaves a son, Rev. Mark L. Haynie, Jr., of Powellton, W. Va.; two daughters: Mrs. Carl Shaw of Vicksburg and Miss Martha Haynie, secretary to the registrar of the New Orleans Seminary; one sister, Mrs. T. D. Hill of Blue Mountain, and three grandchildren.

Mr. Haynie was one of Blue Mountain's best-loved citizens. In the words of Dr. David E. Guyton, a life-long friend and a next door neighbor for thirty years, "He wore with dignity and honor the noble name of his distinguished kinsman, Gen. Mark Perrin Lowrey, founder of Blue Mountain College. In every position he held he discharged his duties with fidelity and unfailing efficiency. He was a gentleman and Blue Mountain is a much better place because he lived there and because of his quiet and unassuming personality and the influence for good which he has left."

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### CONGRATULATIONS TO REVEREND

Wayne Todd, pastor Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson and his family as they welcome their little son, Michael Lawson, into their home. He arrived Sunday, July 2, and weighed 9 pounds, 6 ounces.

## Bill Day Joins La. College Faculty



W. C. DAY

W. C. "Bill" Day, son of Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Day, Tupelo, will become a member of the faculty of Louisiana College, Pineville, as organ and piano instructor in the Music Department, according to the president, Dr. Edgar Godbold.

The fall session begins September 13.

Mr. Day is a graduate of the Louisville High School. He studied two years at Mississippi College and two years at Mississippi Southern, where he will receive a diploma in Sacred Music and Organ in August. He is studying under Prof. Faley K. Hutchins, instructor of organ, and F. E. Marsh, Jr.

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### VBS HELD AT MT. ZION

The Vacation Bible School at Mt. Zion in Lincoln County was held June 26-30, with Mrs. Denver Britt serving as principal.

There were 104 enrolled. On Friday night the commencement was held.

The mission offering will go to the Cooperative Program.

Rev. Elton Barlow is pastor of this church.

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### MT. ZION VBS ENROLLS 89

Mr. Zion Church, Franklin County, had a Vacation Bible School with 89 enrolled, June 26-30. The offering was \$31.32 which was divided and used for Missions and expenses of the school.

The Superintendent was Mr. Jack Smith. Workers were: Mrs. John Laird, Mrs. Ancil Wilson, Mrs. Joseph Springs, Mrs. Alton Laird, Mrs. Elton Pickett, Mrs. Sam Temple, Mrs. Ruby Westbrook and Mrs. Mabel Nettles. The pianist was Miss Alice Faye Smith.

The Commencement program was Presented Saturday night July 1, with each department taking part.

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## Bill Beam Pastors Bethlehem, Yazoo

Rev. Bill Beam is now serving the Bethlehem Church in Yazoo County as pastor. He came to the pastorate from Grand Bay, Alabama, where he had served for two years.

Mr. Beam, a native of Itawamba County, was educated at Mississippi College and the New Orleans Seminary. His wife is the former Mary Bassett of Louin. They have two children, ages one and three.

The Bethlehem Church promotes a full-time program.

## SPRINGFIELD CHURCH, ADAMS CO., ORGANIZED

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## RALPH MARSHALL CALLED AS SPRINGFIELD PASTOR

Sunday afternoon, July 9, the Springfield Chapel Church (Adams County) was organized under the direction of Cranfield, West Side and Washington Churches of Adams County. Up until this time Springfield Chapel was a mission of Cranfield Church. The Cranfield Church is only three years old. Messrs. Clark of West Side, Hester of Washington, and Robertson of Cranfield Churches were members of the council. Rev. A. H. Leslie, pastor of Cranfield Church, served as moderator, and Mr. Robertson served as clerk. Rev. W. E. Hardy, Missionary of Union Association read the Declaration of Faith and Church Covenant to the newly organized church.

The Springfield Chapel Church extended a call to Rev. J. Ralph Marshall Jr. to be pastor. Mr. Marshall was recently ordained to the full gospel ministry by the Cranfield Church and served as mission pastor.

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### UNION HAS BIBLE SCHOOL

Union Church in Walthall County enrolled more than one hundred in the Vacation Bible School recently.

The church is now building a parsonage and when it is completed, they plan to call a pastor for full-time. Rev. W. R. Cooper is supplying the pulpit until the house is completed.

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## Picayune Revival Has 35 Additions

### Round-The-Clock Prayers

Revival services were held at the First Church, Picayune, June 25-July 2. The pastor, Rev. John R. Maddox did the preaching and Rev. Clyde Gordon, pastor of New Palestine Church, Picayune, was the Music Director.

During the week preceding the revival, cottage prayer services were held each night with over 200 attending each night. On Saturday night, a "Round-the-clock prayer service" was held at the church from 7:00 Saturday night until 7:00 Sunday morning.

During the first service, hundreds of Christians pledged themselves to greater service. During the revival, there were 35 additions, 20 of whom came for baptism.

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## Calvary, Tupelo To Build \$175,000 Unit

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Tupelo—(Special)—Calvary Church, Tupelo has reported satisfactory progress in its drive to obtain sufficient funds to finance major building programs.

According to a report by M. E. Leake, head of the Calvary Finance Committee, \$52,000 in cash has been raised in the drive to secure funds necessary for a new three-story education and recreation building and remodeling the present Sunday School building. A goal of \$75,000 has been set for the actual start of construction. The over-all cost is estimated to be \$175,000.

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## CHURCH AND COMMUNITY CONFERENCE TO BE HELD AT MISS. STATE JULY 25-26

The second annual Mississippi church and community conference will be held at State College, July 25 and 26.

The conference is for leaders and others interested in church and community development. A full program of the conference was published in the Baptist Record several weeks ago.

The conference will begin at 8 o'clock on Tuesday morning July 25.

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## 170 Enrolled In VBS At Forest Hill, Hinds

The Forest Hill Church recently completed its Vacation Bible School with an enrolment of 170.

The pastor, Rev. L. V. Wells served as principal and the following as superintendents: Nursery, Mrs. J. T. Myers; Beginner, Mrs. N. C. Finch; Primary, Mrs. B. F. Sudduth; Junior, Mrs. L. M. Lott; Intermediate, Mrs. L. V. Wells.

Refreshments were served daily and a picnic given the last day, followed by commencement. Offerings went to the American Bible Society.





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**ON SUNDAY JULY 9 AT MAIN Street Church, Hattiesburg, Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., pastor, there were more than 800 people present for Sunday School. This is the first time the attendance mark has been reached during the month of July. The pastor says that one reason for the continued growth of the Sunday School is the fine support the Sunday School officers and teachers are giving to the mid-week Workers' Council. From 75 to 100 are present each Wednesday night for the supper meeting and the council meeting.**

**MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS CONTINUE their work at home and abroad with generous contributions. Treasurer J. E. Lane reports that contributions from November 1, 1949 to June 30, 1950, total \$913,349. Of this amount, \$507,704 was for the Cooperative Program. The remainder was designated.**

**REV. L. M. LANIER, OF CLARKE College, held a revival meeting at McDonald Church, McDonald, July 9-14.**

**DR. W. E. GREENE, PRESIDENT OF Clarke College, preached in a revival meeting at the Hebron Ridge Church near Quitman July 9-14.**

**ALL MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS WILL rejoice that ground has been broken at Clarke College for the erection of the new girls' dormitory which is so sorely needed. Temporary quarters are also under construction which will care for as many single boys as were in school last year until the first unit of the new dormitory can be completed. Many Clarke friends are sending in donations of materials and money making possible the erection of these buildings.**

**REV. ROY ISBELL, STUDENT SECRETARY at Delta State, has been called as supply pastor of Providence Church due to the illness of the pastor, Rev. Luther Fowler. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shoops are doing a fine job with the Training Union in this church.**

**THE NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION overwhelmingly approved the following resolution at annual meeting in St. Louis: "The National Education Association believes the American tradition of separation of church and state should vigorously and zealously safeguarded. The association respect the right of groups, including religious denominations, to maintain their own schools so long as such schools meet the educational, health and safety standards defined by the states in which they are located. The association believes that these schools should be financed entirely by their supporters. The association therefore opposes all efforts to devote public funds to either the direct or indirect support of these schools."**

**LITTLE CHILDREN WILL ENJOY A new book entitled "Fentola" about a little girl of Africa, written in big print and illustrated with pictures on every page. Written by Margaret R. Marchman and published by the Broadman Press, the book may be ordered from the Baptist Book Store for 50 cents.**

**LET'S BE DIFFERENT. PICK OUT the good points in the church and talk about them whenever you get a chance. And, like Napoleon, if you do not see the opportunity, make one. The best advertising for a firm in business is the talk of satisfied customers. TALK UP YOUR CHURCH!—Glendale Herald.**

**THE NEW BELGIAN GOVERNMENT has pledged subsidies for Roman Catholic schools.**

**STEPS TO NEBO (\$1.50) BY J. A. Van Gorhom, is a book of Bible stories for Young People, particularly appropriate for use in study groups in church and mission chapels, and will be of advantage in preparation of sermons and talks to young people. The stories consist of biographical sketches, highlighting those features in the lives of his selected Bible characters which convey lessons of particular significance to young and immature Christians. Order from the Baker Book House, Grand Rapids 6, Michigan, or from the Baptist Book Store.**

**THE DIVISION OF EDITORIAL SERVICE of the Baptist Sunday School Board has produced a splendid program for the annual Writers' Week to be held August 3-9, at Ridgecrest, North Carolina. Among those taking part are: Roland E. Wolseley, Professor of Journalism, Syracuse University, New York; Dr. L. L. Carpenter, Editor of the *Biblical Recorder*; Mr. Porter Routh, Baptist statistician and editor; Rev. Albert McClellan, Director of Publications, Executive Committee, Southern Baptist Convention; Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Armstrong; and Dr. W. R. White of Baylor University. With such a panel of experts, a week of profit and inspiration is certain. Make immediate reservations with: Mr. Robert Guy, Manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.**

**THERE IS GROWING AWARENESS of the importance of better writing of Baptist activities and interests are to gain the publicity they deserve. One way to better writing is suggested by the annual Writers' Conference to be held at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, August 3-9. Among scheduled speakers is Roland E. Wolseley, Professor of Journalism at Syracuse University, New York, who will speak each day on "Seeking Professional Standards in Christian Journalism." Make an effort to attend and write Mr. Robert Guy, Ridgecrest, North Carolina, at once for accommodations.**

**IN HIS RECENT BOOK "TWELVE Laws of Life," (\$1.50), Dr. John Calvin Slemp first presents the Laws of Moses in their historical setting; then they are interpreted in the light of the teachings of Jesus. Finally, they are shown to have an immediate application to the complex problems of modern society. These ten Old Testament laws are supplemented by two laws from the teachings of Jesus, making twelve in all. Order from the Judson Press, Philadelphia 3, Pa., or from the Baptist Book Store.**

**DR. J. B. LAWRENCE, OF THE Home Mission Board, has compiled a volume of 20 of his own sermons, richly seasoned with poetry and apt illustrations. The title is "Kindling For Revival Fires" (\$2.25). The book will be prized as devotional reading, will inspire personal workers and will prove helpful to pastors and evangelists in soul-winning efforts. Order from the Fleming H. Revell Company, 158 Fifth Avenue, New York, or from the Baptist Book Store.**

**REV. JOHN S. TRENT WHO RESIGNED Calvary Church, Columbia to enter into full-time evangelistic work recently held a three weeks tent revival in Sumrall. Cooperating with Mr. Trent were the Baptist and Methodist churches. Robert Cooper directed the music.**

**THE MANY FRIENDS OF REV. EDWARD L. BYRD, Mississippian, now serving as pastor of the First Church, Florence, South Carolina, will be interested in the following facts concerning the past three months: total admissions for the quarter, 148; by baptism, 75; total membership, 2,854. Total receipts for the quarter were \$21,874.**

**THE ATTENDANCE OF THE VACATION Bible School of the Woodville Baptist Church reached an all time record when 202 were enrolled. Rev. O. B. Beverly is the pastor.**



Shown above at the ground-breaking for the library building of the New Orleans Seminary are Miss Nell Davidson, Seminary Librarian turning the first spade of dirt; Lowry B. Eastland, president of the Board of Trustees, who spoke, and Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, Seminary President. The new library building will be on the Gentilly Boulevard campus.

**AMONG RECENT VISITORS IN THE office of the Baptist Record were:**

Lowrey Varnado, Jackson; Rev. S. W. Valentine and Sammy, Jackson; Rev. Bill Beam, Bentonla; Rev. H. G. Ward, Jr., Baxterville; L. V. Cooper, Morton; Thomas W. Hill, Jackson; Rev. A. Sidney Johnston, Mt. Olive; Mrs. J. M. Lowther, Jackson; Wayne Keyes, Hazlehurst; Kathleen, Donivan and Wayne Ivy, Son-tag; J. C. Morgan, Marion; Rev. Homer Ainsworth, Clinton; Rev. Foster Sher-burd, New Zealand; Rev. and Mrs. Paul McDonald, Puckett; Buddy Hunt, Laurel; Joe Bryant, Mark Carroll, Charles Putt, Larry Horn, Noel Tuson, C. J. Clifton, James Harris Forsyth, Elbert Poin-dexter, J. D. Forsyth, Rev. Earl War-ford, Tommie Jack Clifton, West Corinth; R. W. Porter, Georgetown.

**REV. J. PAUL DRISCOLL, PASTOR of the Mid-City Church, New Orleans, La., will do the preaching in a revival in the Wellman Church, Lincoln County, July 24-August 4. All friends and neighbors are invited to attend. Rev. W. L. Thompson is the pastor.**

**I FELL AMONG FARMERS (\$3.00) by Lola Waterman Sigel and published by the Christopher Publishing House, Boston, Mass., tells the story of a woman's courage and strong faith as she lived on two Maine farms. Her many trying experiences in running the farm after the death of her husband, are told in a delightful and straightforward manner. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.**

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**INDIANA METHODISTS HAVE VOTED not to accept federal aid for hospitals.**

**NEARLY 5,000 SOUTHERN BAPTIST Sunday school leaders attended the three Sunday school weeks at Ridgecrest closing July 12.**

**DURING THE LAST FISCAL YEAR, the Lutheran Hour reported contributions totaling \$1,502,237. The program, broadcast over 1,150 stations in 36 languages, drew 500,000 mail responses. Dr. Lawrence Acker has been named as temporary successor of the late Dr. Walter A. Maier.**

## Is Beverage Alcohol A Threat To Freedom

By N. S. JACKSON

I

In eleven (11) states there is no local option on sale of all kinds of alcoholic liquors. In thirteen (13) other states there is no local option on sale of beer.

II

The Supreme Court of the nation has said that there is no inherent right to a man to engage in sale of alcoholic liquors; that inasmuch as the business was attended by dangers to the community, it was subject to regulations, even in prohibition.

III

Wherever liquor including beer controls governments, the people are denied the right to exercise the basic democratic principle of rule by majority, being deprived of local opinion.

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In our own state fifty-two (52) counties have voted beer out. In many counties, elections were contested in the courts on technicalities, and some counties have voted four times before beer was outlawed, notwithstanding that in each election a majority voted to prohibit beer sale.

Everyone who has a state permit to sell beer made oath that no liquor containing more than four per cent alcohol would be permitted in or about the place where beer was sold, but court records show that some who contested beer elections had been convicted for bottling hard liquor.

Other facts could be given. The effect of alcohol on the drinker, and the established record of the liquor traffic reveals that it is the greatest threat to our national well being—the record of drink induced crime, the economic waste of billions spent for liquor, loss to industry from time lost by skilled employees caused by drink, and the breaking up of homes, establishes beyond question that beverage alcohol is threat Number 1 to our National Safety.

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### Magnolia VBS Enrolls 185

A most successful Vacation Bible School was held at the First Church, Magnolia. The church has been without a pastor since the resignation of Rev. John R. Maddox in April. Rev. Bill Watson, assistant pastor of First Church, McComb, acted as principal of the school.

The VBS had an enrollment of 185. The faculty was composed of 37 men and women.



## "CONTEST INTEREST HIGH" SAYS EDITOR ENGSTROM Five Prizes To Be Offered

"The response to our announced \$2,000.00 Christian Textbook Manuscript Contest far exceeds our highest hopes," Editor Theodore W. Engstrom of the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, has stated. "Inquiries, submissions and report of work being done on contest manuscripts in various fields of Christian education on the Christian college and the Bible institute level is coming to us from professors, Bible teachers and qualified students from all sections of the country and even from other parts of the world," says Engstrom.

Five prizes are being offered in this textbook contest. Half of each of these prizes will be an outright award and the other half an advance on royalty. The contest rules state that there will be only one winner for any one subject. The contest closes midnight, September 30, 1950.

The Zondervan Publishing House is also conducting a second contest announced as its "Second International Christian Fiction Contest" with three prizes totalling \$5,000.00. This second contest closes on December 31, 1950.

Complete rules regarding both contests may be had by writing The Editors, Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids 2, Michigan.

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## Comic Book Shows Danger Of Liquor

Now available for Sunday Schools and other youth education programs is a booklet, created in the style of a comic book, which presents pictorially the vital facts on intoxicating liquor.

Entitled "Unkept Promise," the booklet applies the principles of visual-aid education as a means of counter-acting the "men of distinction" advertising of the liquor industry. The dramatic picture-narrative running through its 24 pages shows how drinking leads to physical and mental deterioration, family disruptions, crime and other forms of social calamity. Pointed facts and statistics are combined in the full-color picture panels.

The booklet is designed to appeal to the countless youngsters and adults who habitually read comics. This group constitutes a tremendous segment of our population, advocates of the book point out in explaining why they resorted to the comic book format. They cite statistics which show that 91 out of every 100 boys and girls read comic books regularly.

Thousands of copies of "Unkept Promise" are being distributed by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the National Temperance Movement and other religious and temperance groups. Copies can be had for 10c each, or, at a lesser price when ordered in quantity, from either of the the Legion of Truth, 308 Fawkes above named organizations or from Building, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

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ONE THOUSAND RADIO VOICES For Christ (\$3.00) is the 16th publication by the International Lutheran Hour. The volume contains 16 sermons delivered over the radio by the Dr. Walter A. Maier. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or to the Concordia Publishing House, 3564 S. Jefferson Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

## James B. Ray Begins Tutwiler Pastorate



REV. JAMES B. RAY

Rev. James B. Ray has begun his work as pastor of the Tutwiler Church. He came to the church from the pastorate of Mt. Creek Church in Greenville, S. C., where he served for 18 months.

During that time there were 65 additions to the church and \$30,000 raised on the 40 room educational annex which was completed.

Former Mississippi pastorates include: Paynes, Holcomb, Cascilla, Bethel, New Life, Graysport, Corinth; Mt. Vernon, Columbus, and Improve, Columbia.

Before going to Greenville, S. C., three years ago he was Director of the \$1,000,000 campaign for expansion of Clear Creek Preachers School, Pineville, Ky. He was in a campaign while a pastor in Mississippi for funds for Blue Mountain College, Miss. Baptist debts and Baptist Hospital, Jackson. For three years he was Evangelist and Enrollment man for the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Plans are now underway for the construction of a \$40,000 church to be built on the lot recently given by Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Everett.

Mr. Ray was born in Lancaster, Tenn., March 3, 1908 and he received his education in Watertown, Tenn. High School. He finished at Mississippi College, Clinton, Miss. and the Seminary in New Orleans, Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Ray is a Christian worker and leader and is the mother of three children; Mrs. D. F. Kitchens of Greenville, S. C., Dan Allen 16, and Janet 8 of Tutwiler.

The family was welcomed into the pastorate of the Tutwiler Church with a pantry filled with good things to eat. Already there have been 15 additions since the coming of Pastor Ray.

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SHORTLY BEFORE THE DEATH OF the author in June 1950, the book, "Beside Still Waters" was written by W. G. Polack, a Lutheran. This volume contains ten sermons of comfort and inspiration, delivered at a chapel on the wooded shores of Clear Lake, a summer resort. Although the message are especially adapted to be used by the water-side, they can easily be adjusted for use anywhere for those who are seeking inner peace and certainly in the midst of present day disorder and confusion. Order from the Concordia Publishing House, St. Louis, Mo., or from the Baptist Book Store. Price, \$1.25.

## Young Minister Is First Enrollee In New Seminary

Nashville, Tenn.—(BP)—A young minister has applied for enrolment in the new Southeastern Seminary. He is Rev. Colie E. Rock, Jr., whose letter application was received in Nashville on July 11, and addressed to Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the SBC Executive Committee. The letter was referred to Rev. J. W. Kincheloe, Hayes Barton Baptist Church, Raleigh, N. C., secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. Any other applications for enrolment should be addressed to Dr. Kincheloe.

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## Encyclopedia Staff Complete

An editorial staff of eleven internationally known theologians has been announced by Herman Baker, Grand Rapids, Michigan, publisher of THE NEW SCHAFF-HERZOG ENCYCLOPEDIA OF RELIGIOUS KNOWLEDGE. This committee has accepted the responsibility of modernizing the present thirteen volume encyclopedia into an up-to-date, fifteen volume set covering every phase of religious knowledge.

More than a thousand double-column pages of new material will be added in the form of two large supplementary volumes to match the completely re-designed original set.

On the staff as a department editor is Dr. William Mueller, Professor of Theology at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

More than a hundred contributors will assist in preparing the necessary new articles for the encyclopedia. In addition to material made necessary by advance in religious knowledge and by new problems and subjects of interest, there will be a complete coverage of contemporary religious leaders.

The Echauff-Herzog Encyclopedia has been the standard reference work in the religious field for over a century. The Baker Book House is re-issuing the encyclopedia on a volume-a-month plan. Several volumes have already appeared. The date of publication of the two supplementary volumes will be announced later, according to Mr. Baker.

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## DP Photographer Needs A Sponsor

New Orleans—Word has just come of an expert photographer and his family who are living in a displaced persons camp in Europe and for whom the Baptist World Alliance is very anxious to find a sponsor in this country.

The DP, Aleksandras Medvedevas, age 51, was born in Lithuania and prior to the war had his own photographic studio. In 1944 he was taken as a slave laborer to Germany and worked in a labor camp there until the end of the war. Under the American occupation he has taught photography in the DP schools and has taken many pictures of the camps for the authorities. He is highly recommended by Southern Baptists' Displaced Persons Representative in German, Rev. Fred Schatz, who is acquainted with him.

Mr. Medvedevas has a wife (47) and two children 16 and 17. His wife is willing to work as a domestic servant and his children are trained as a chauffeur and watchmaker, respec-

## Shreveport Surgeon Serves In Ogbomoso

Shreveport, La.—(BP)—Because of his belief that a physician, like a missionary should answer a plea for help anywhere, Dr. Charles L. Black recently took a three-week "busman's holiday" in Africa.

The young Shreveport surgeon and physician, taking time out from his own practice, flew to Ogbomoso, Nigeria, in May, and during his brief stay performed more than forty operations.

And all at his own expense! Dr. Black first received the inspiration to make the trip, after hearing a talk at the Highland Church a year ago by Miss Edith Chaney, a nurse stationed in Nigeria, who told of the great need for doctors among the vast population of the small British colony.

Dr. Black, the teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class at the church, asked Miss Chaney if he could visit Nigeria for a month and give assistance. It was arranged and he was stationed at the Baptist Hospital in Ogbomoso.

During his stay he performed an average of two or three operations a day and worked from ten to twelve hours daily.

The only respite that the local surgeon got from his toils was a week-end visit he made to a smaller community 160 miles to see the Rev. and Mrs. Archie Dunaway, missionaries sponsored by the Shreveport Highland Church.

He also visited the Ogbomoso leper colony which has more than 600 patients. There he witnessed a medical rarity: two lepers recovering from smallpox.

The Natives are medium height, with eyes wide apart, and very similar to the American Negro.

The Moslem faith is predominant, but the natives steadily are being won to Christianity. There is no religious strife.

Under the influence of our missionaries, the natives wear much more than the traditional breechcloth.

Health—Not too good. Infant and maternal mortality rates are especially high.

Climate — Hot and Humid. The rainy season had just begun and it rained every day.

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THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL OF New Hope Church, Lawrence County, which was held July 3-8, enrolled 84. Principal for the school was the pastor, N. W. Carpenter. His assistant was Thomas Nelson, and department superintendents were: Miss Inelle King, Beginners; Mrs. Paul Thames, Primary; Mrs. Dewitt Nelson, Juniors; and Mrs. N. W. Carpenter, Intermediates. D. H. Nelson is the Sunday School Superintendent.

tively. They are willing to work on a farm, but are much better suited for work in the city.

If your church is interested, write to your Southern Baptist Displaced Persons representative, Charles R. Gage, 2940 Napoleon Avenue, New Orleans 15, Louisiana. Some churches have sponsored the immigration of deserving people like these and have had them as guests of the church after their arrival and until the church found them a job and a place to live.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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## SUMMER SLUMP

That is the question. Are you having it in your church? It seems to come on after spring time is over and remains with many churches until fall. A man said not long ago that it was a low trick of Satan's to get God's people to expect summer slump.

This is a disease that runs its course in a few months, and in the main—it simply keeps many, many people away from Sunday School and the other services of the church. Consequently, these people are not helped by anything that is done by the church. Also, many of God's people fail to grow as Christians and fail to serve in any way when they have this disease. Many lost people are not reached and won. Maybe the lost are not reached and won to our Saviour because Satan does get God's people to expecting the slump. We readily see how Satan defeats with this program. As long as people do not grow as Christians, as long as God's own do not serve and bear fruit, as long as the lost are kept out of the Kingdom—Satan is the winner.

But where sin abounds—Grace much more abounds. As Sunday School workers, WE CAN DO SOMETHING about this matter of summer slump. Maybe we need first of all to face up to the fact that some of this trouble is caused by our failure to do enough things to counteract it. Do we have enough classes? That is, do we have enough classes properly graded for all the people we ought to reach? We need not expect a man twenty-five years of age to be happy in a class with men forty to fifty years of age. Why? Simply because that young man's needs and interests are not the same as the older men. We would not put our Junior boys in classes with men twenty-five years of age. Now the reason for that is very obvious.

Summer Slump? That is still the question. Do we need to train our workers? Did some of them become discouraged because they were not doing the best work and they knew it and knew something was wrong—but not that the wrong was their lack of preparation to do their jobs. It is a marvel many times that some workers in our Sunday School do as well as they do. We would not send a worker into our field or factory and expect him to produce unless he was trained in the basic laws of his job. But, many times, we expect a teacher to teach, an officer to function properly, without the most elementary training for his job. We need to train our workers. Would that cure summer slump?

This last suggestion, as a cure for summer slump, has always worked where people have given it a fair trial. Promote visitation and summer slump goes out the window or the nearest exit. When we visit, the people come. We need to go see the people. We need to make a claim for their lives and for their souls. We can rest assured that Satan goes. He does not expect a summer slump. Is that the reason he does not have one? We need to lay claim to our people. We need to visit rain or shine, hot or cold. When we go, they come. When

we stay at home, they do the same.

Vacation Bible Schools are being held all over our state in our churches, in mission points, in negro churches, among other groups. This is one of the finest, yet, perhaps, the most difficult thing we do as Baptist in the field of Religious Education. But—how it pays off when we do a good job of putting on a school. We teach the boys and girls so much of the Bible, we win many of them to Christ, and we have the finest opportunities of all the year teach them doctrines, Christian Stewardship, and other lessons of lasting worth.

If your church has not had this program of teaching and worship for your boys and girls, try hard to get one planned now. The summer will soon be gone. Also, your church could not do a finer piece of mission work than to go out to a small church, a mission point, to a negro community or church or some other place and put on a school.

Many churches are sending in their Vacation Bible School reports. Thanks to all for doing this. If you have not sent the report of your Vacation Bible School, please get it to your Sunday School Department, Jackson, Mississippi, as soon as it is convenient.

Do you need help? The Sunday School Builder provides it every month. Wherever you work, with Juniors, Adults, the Nursery or the Extension Department, the Builder will give you specific help each month, for your place of responsibility.

In it you will find:

- a. Help for class officers.
- b. Help for teachers.
- c. Help for department officers.
- d. Stories of successful work done.
- e. Department assembly programs.

Use the Builder! It is a helper!

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## Mathison VBS Enrolls 206

The Vacation Bible School of the Mahtiston Church closed with commencement on July 2. During the school 206 were enrolled, setting an all-time high record. The record attendance for one day reached 190.

Three buses were run each day to bring nearby children to the school. A faculty of 39 workers led the school.

Mrs. E. Earnest served as Beginner Superintendent; Mrs. J. E. Booth, Primary Superintendent; Mrs. John Sugden, Junior Superintendent; Mrs. N. S. Ellis, Intermediate Superintendent; and Rev. Geo. H. Moseley, pastor, was principal.

The mission offering was designated for the Cooperative Program.

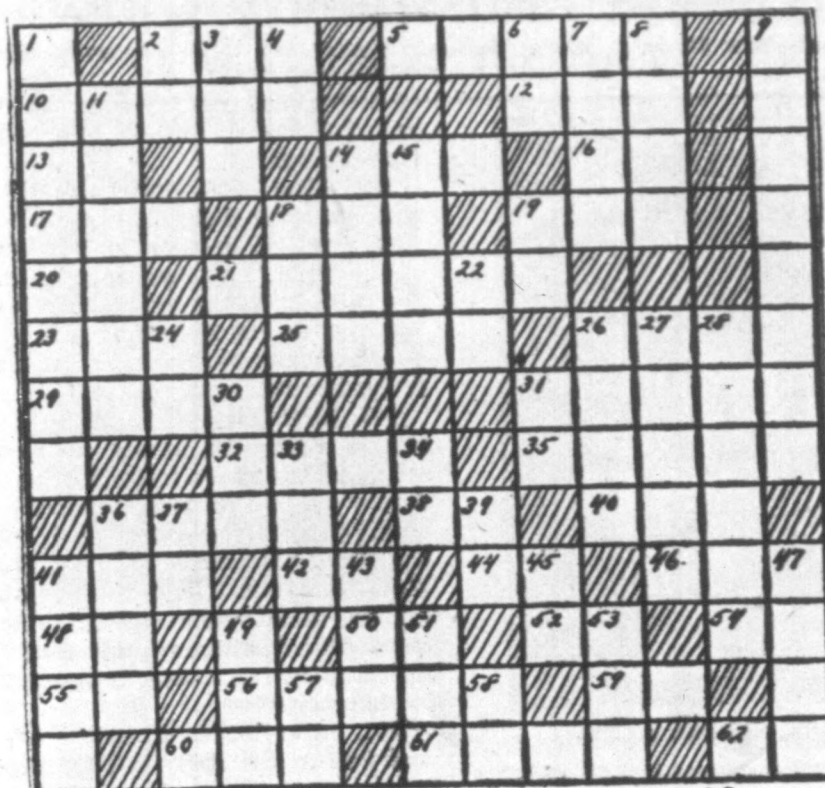
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## WADE CHURCH HAS VBS

Wade Church, Sunflower County, under the direction of its pastor, Rev. W. J. Hughes, has just completed a very successful Vacation Bible School, with an enrolment of 82.

The Beginners were led by Miss Lee Alice Fulgham, and Mrs. W. H. Walker; the Primaries by Miss Sarah Walker; the Juniors by Miss Emma Jean Manning and Mrs. E. E. Pryor, and the Intermediates by Mrs. Dewitt Burchfield and Mrs. Earl Fulgham.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE



"One thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see."—John 9:25

### JESUS HEALS THE MAN BORN BLIND HORIZONTAL

- 2 "they called . . . parents of him" John 9:18
- 5 "all . . . in prayer to God" Luke 6:12
- 10 Genus of insects
- 12 "I was blind, now I . . ." John 9:25
- 13 North River
- 14 The letter C
- 16 Lava
- 17 "but he said, . . . he" John 9:9 (two words)
- 18 "And it was the sabbath . . ." John 9:14
- 19 "Ye do . . . not knowing the scriptures" Matt. 22:29
- 20 Two seventh of Finland
- 21 "whom the Lord when he . . . shall find watching" Luke 12:37
- 23 Compass point
- 25 "and I will give you . . ." Matt. 11:28
- 26 "Thou . . . both seen him" John 9:37
- 29 "(which is by interpretation, . . .)" John 9:7
- 31 Eagle's nest
- 32 "He that hath . . . to hear, let him hear" Luke 14:35
- 35 "that he was born . . ." John 9:2
- 36 " . . . he had thus spoken" John 9:6
- 38 "Whether he be a sinner or . . . I know not" John 9:25
- 40 "A . . . that is called Jesus made clay" John 9:11
- 41 "Is not this he that . . . and begged" John 9:8
- 42 "What did he . . . thee" John 9:26
- 44 Fourth note in scale
- 46 Dry
- 48 Postscript
- 50 New Jersey
- 52 South Africa
- 54 Deputy Lieutenant
- 55 "Then said I, . . ." Jer. 4:10
- 56 "for the Jews had a . . . already" John 9:22
- 59 . . . John
- 60 "How . . . a man that is a sinner do such miracles" John 9:16
- 61 "I must . . . the works of him that sent me" John 9:4
- 62 Yea

- A saying of Jesus is 2, 5, 21, 36, 38, 40, 60 and 61 combined.

### VERTICAL

- 1 "that the works of God should be made . . . in him" John 9:3
- 3 One of the disciples; thornum
- 3 "Thou are . . . disciple" John 9:28
- 4 Plural ending of nouns
- 6 Grand Secretary
- 7 "I have told you already, and ye did not . . ." John 9:27
- 8 "the wild beast shall . . . them" Hosea 13:8
- 9 "and he . . . the eyes" John 9:6

- 11 "Give God the . . ." John 9:24
- 14 "and . . . seeing" John 9:7
- 15 "that he hath opened thine . . ." John 9:17
- 16 Ancient royal city of the Canaanites Josh. 11:2
- 19 Exclamation of inquiry
- 22 Size of shot
- 24 Half an em
- 26 "turned about with a very small . . ." Jas. 3:4
- 27 Tunes
- 28 "Neither hath this man . . . , nor his parents" John 9:3
- 30 Golf mound
- 31 Month in Hebrew calendar
- 33 "Go to the . . ." Prov. 6:6
- 34 Tin
- 36 "Go . . . in the pool of Siloam" John 9:7
- 37 Under this title (L.)
- 39 "If this man were not . . . God, he could do nothing" John 9:33
- 41 "he . . . on the ground" John 9:6
- 43 " . . . think I know" John 9:25
- 45 " . . . long . . . I am in the world, I am the light" John 9:5
- 47 "and made . . . of the spittle" John 9:6
- 49 Turkish commander
- 51 "because they feared the . . ." John 9:21
- 53 Royal Navy
- 56 "and I washed, and . . . see" John 9:15

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## Frank Robbins Gets Ph. D. At Edinburgh

Clinton, July 17—Dr. Ray Frank Robbins, a 1940 graduate of Mississippi College was awarded the Ph.D. degree by the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, July 7.

While in Mississippi College, Dr. Robbins was a member of the Glee Club, the Dramatic Club, the Debate Club, the Philomathean Literary Society and the Ministerial Association, and was a Fellow in the Social Science Department.

After graduation from Mississippi College, he was awarded two degrees at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. He served as a Chaplain in the Navy in 1945-46.

Dr. Robbins married Miss Ethel Louise Pettit who lived on the Clinton Boulevard near Jackson. Dr. Robbins is a native of Alabama and is now associate professor of Bible and Religion in Howard College in Birmingham.



## -- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson  
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor



MISS KENNIE KEYES

Miss Kennie Keyes of Hazlehurst (Bethel Church) has recently come to the W.M.U. office as office secretary, filling the position made vacant by Miss Kathleen Bush who married. Miss Keyes worked two years for Vocational Rehabilitation, Department of Education. This spring she graduated at Co-Lin, Jr. College. She is active in the various organizations of the First Baptist Church, Jackson. We welcome her to this place of service.

### W. M. S. CAMP GARAYWA

"It's the best yet" was the comment of a camper who has attended each of the W. M. S. camps; I believe all of us felt that way. There were 315 different women present during the week from 64 different churches—these churches were from New Albany to Centerville and Carriere, from Leland to Meridian—well distributed over the state.

Our speakers were excellent, the spirit was fine and I trust the results will be telling in the Lord's work. Those present longed for more women to be enjoying and profiting from the rich blessings of the week. The mission offering was \$141.12, which was divided three ways and given to three young couples sailing soon for the mission fields. The three young men have been in R. A. camps, either as campers or counselors. Here

are the expressions of appreciation from them:

**MR. AND MRS. DAVID MAYHALL**, who sailed for Nigeria, July 5th wrote: "We want to express to the women of the W. M. S. camp our appreciation for the gift of their mission offering. We are sailing tomorrow and as we go your message of the assurance of prayer means much to us."

**DR. AND MRS. J. T. McRAE**, who sail in Sept. for Arabia as medical missionaries wrote from North Carolina: "We are very grateful for the check which represents a third of the Camp Garaywa offering during W. M. S. camp. I had this week been talking about some medical equipment which will be quite useful on the mission field. This is the answer to that need."

**MR. AND MRS. RALPH DAVIS**, who sail in the early fall for Nigeria wrote: "Thanks you so much for the surprise that we received from you from the W. M. S. Camp. It will help more than you realize because we are not going to be able to use our small watches and will have to buy large waterproof type. The money the women sent will be spent buying necessary articles. As I use it counting pulse, checking respiration etc. and Ralph in his teaching of boys and girls we will be constantly reminded of those who made possible the purchase of our much needed articles."

### COMMUNITY MISSIONS

The Lauderdale County Community Mission Council is sponsoring four vacation Bible Schools in colored churches in our country.

Annie B. Wilson (colored) is serving as principal of each of these schools. She has recently completed her Junior year at National Baptist Missionary Training School at Nashville. The State Mission Offering helped with a scholarship and Lauderdale W.M.U. supplemented that amount. Lauderdale Co. W.M.U. has established a permanent scholarship at the school, believing that the best way to help our Negro people is to help them train leaders. Annie B. Wilson was the first beneficiary of the scholarship.

—Mrs. H. C. Parker, Community Mission Chairman.

## Wildwood Church Is Organized In Laurel

Wildwood Church has been organized by the West Laurel Church. During the six weeks since its constitution, it has grown from a membership of 22 to 74. Rev. Raymond Bishop is now the pastor.

The church began with a full-time program and completely graded Sunday School and Training Union. Four lots have been purchased and a tent is being used on the site. Plans are in progress for a building and for financing its construction.

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## Minister Beaten By Liquor Dealer

Martin, S. D.—(RNS)—A Protestant minister was beaten severely here in what authorities regard as retaliation for his opposition to a beer license application.

The Rev. John Giesbrecht, 40, pastor of the Lindsey Memorial Presbyterian church here, was treated at a local hospital for slight concussion, loose teeth and multiple abrasions.

Facing trial on a charge of assault and battery in the "revenge beating" is Lee McCoy, 61, a former liquor store owner.

The pastor said McCoy attacked him because of his opposition to McCoy's application for a beer license at a city commission hearing June 10.

Mr. Giesbrecht said McCoy stopped him on the street and "asked me to remove my glasses, and I complied." The clergyman said he took the beating, refusing to fight back.

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## Union, Pike, Plans Revival July 23

The Union Church in Pike County has planned a revival for July 23-28, in which Rev. Malcolm Tolbert, pastor of the Douglas Avenue Church, Baton Rouge, La. will be the visiting evangelist. Rev. Landrum Leavell, pastor, will be in charge of the music. Two services will be held daily.

A Vacation Bible School has just closed which enrolled 70. Mrs. C. D. Lewis served as principal, Miss Mavis Walters, Secretary and pianist. Other workers included: Mrs. Bud Durham, Mrs. A. E. LeBlance; Mrs. Prentiss Simmons, Mrs. E. F. Quin, Miss Earl Patterson, Mrs. Smith Allen, Mrs. J. D. Cook and Miss Ione Lang.

A Training Union Study Course was held at night during the VBS. Teachers were: T. J. Stogner, Eugene Simmons, Mrs. Therrell Simmons and Rev. Landrum Leavell.

Additional Sunday School rooms are now under construction.

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**PASTORS AND MEMBERS OF** church staffs should make a point of attending Writers' Week at Ridgecrest, August 3-9. A fine program of instruction and inspiration will give them the know-how of "getting into print." Improve your own church publicity by sitting in daily at the sessions, conducted by Mr. Porter Routh, editor of *The Quarterly Review* and Baptist statistician, and Rev. Albert McClellan, Director of Publications of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention. Write at once for accommodations to: Mr. Robert Guy, Manager, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

## SOSO REVIVAL ADDS 36

The eight day revival of the Soso Church closed Sunday, July 16 with a total of 36 additions to the church.

The Rev. A. E. Medlock, pastor of the Trinity Church, New Orleans, was the guest speaker. Rev. F. H. Rogers is the pastor. Mr. Roy Welch was in charge of the singing. Misses Evelyn Clarke, Bobbie Green, and Betty Joe Raspberry were the pianist.

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## SATARTIA PLANS REVIVAL

The Satartia Church will have its annual Revival July 23-28. Rev. Newell Massey will do the preaching; Carol Freeman will lead the singing, and Faye Atkinson will serve as pianist. Rev. George E. Raborn is the pastor.

A Vacation Bible School was held July 10-14 with 53 enrolled. The pastor, Rev. George E. Raborn was the principal.

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## Your Offering Helped

Recently there came to the attention of the Superintendent of the Baptist Hospital the sad case of a mother whose husband was blind and who had four children. They were trying to buy a small house when misfortune came. The house caught fire and burned to the ground, destroying what little clothing and furniture the family possessed. Friends at the church had come to their aid and provided them with clothing and a few other vital necessities.

Also the mother became sick and it was thought that she had cancer.

Because of the part Mississippi Baptists are playing in Mother's Day offerings and the Cooperative Program the superintendent was able to admit this faithful mother to the Baptist Hospital as a free patient. A helpful doctor offered his services free of charge. Complete and comprehensive examinations were made immediately.

In a few days an anxious mother joyfully received the news that she did not have the terrible disease of cancer and in a few more days, after her difficulties were corrected, the grateful mother was able to go back home sound and well to rear her family and maintain her Christian home.

Thus, Mississippi Baptists continue to have a part in the glorious ministry of Christian healing.

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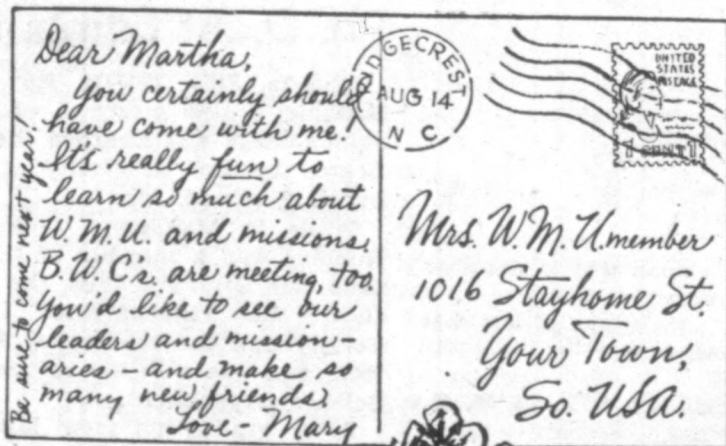
**"FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS** no trumpets blare, no chariots wait, no golden decoration are decreed on this earth, but there is a crown laid up for them for the watch they keep along the borders of darkness and the attack they make on sin, folly, and ignorance; for their patient and unselfish efforts to conquer evil and lead the lost to Christ. They light many candles which will shine through the years." —Perry Morgan, The Sunday School Builder.

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## Sunday School Lesson

### SAMUEL, THE UPRIGHT JUDGE

By HIGHT C. MOORE

1 Samuel 2:26; 3:1-10, 19-21; 7:3-6, 16-16; 9-10; 12-15; 13:5-15.

The last of the judges, forerunner of the kings, teacher of prophets, and one of the greatest of all the prophets, Samuel was notably the child of prayer. In his village home at Ramah, nestled among the mountains, only three or four years of his early life were spent. Then Hannah his mother, true to her vow, took him to the sanctuary at Shiloh and there dedicated him to the perpetual service of the Lord.

#### LEADERSHIP

LEADERSHIP FROM GOD is certified in the vision of Samuel the child.

(1) His training, was at the most sacred spot in the country. He had the finest opportunities for learning truth; for personal development—physical, mental, and spiritual; for contacting the notables of the nations; for observance of passing events at home and abroad. Every year his mother brought a coat to the consecrated child as they came with suitable sacrifices. Ere long the waiting boy became a prophet.

(2) His call came at twelve years of age (says Josephus). He was then prepared for direct divine revelation and the actual beginning of his life work. However, owing to the rarity of revelation in those days and the inexperience of the lad, he twice mistook the call of Jehovah for the call of the high priest for some menial service. At last by Eli's direction, he cried to Jehovah when called, "Speak; for thy servant heareth!" Then the divine voice foretold the doom of Eli's house, which already had been dishonored and degraded by his greedy, lecherous sons. All night, no doubt, the awful prediction fevered the brow and fretted the pulses of Samuel; but when, with the morning light, Eli craved the revelation, Samuel told him all. And the aged judge bowed in sorrowing submission.

#### NATIONAL LIFE

##### LEADERSHIP IN NATIONAL LIFE

is shown in the victory of Samuel the reformer.

1. The revival of religion was required of wayward and woebegone Israel. Samuel knew the tribes had sinned and that sin caused calamity. He therefore preached repentance and reform. For a time, perhaps as a fugitive, Samuel did his public prophetic work. The result was that a fresh spiritual life was awakened. The success of the reformer's work is shown in the fact that the people generally "lamented after the Lord" (v. 2). They heeded the command to repent of their sin, to give up their foreign gods with all their immoralities, to turn with whole hearts to Jehovah, and to serve him only as their God. The burning message of Samuel was not in vain. While it was spiritual rather than political, yet on this moral basis was to be rebuilt the national structure.

(2). The meeting at Mizpah was evidence of a revival in spirit. It was perhaps after some years of prophetic work by Samuel that the time came for action. The prophet could teach them and pray for them, but ultimately success in regathering the tribes around their old-time theocratic standard would depend upon their own earnestness and courage. At last Samuel called the people together at Mizpah, a small plateau two thousand feet above sea level, a point difficult to surprise and adapted to defense. True to his spiritual mission, he insisted that the assembled tribes renounce heathen deities and fall in devout penitence before the Lord. So they gathered and sacrificed, pouring out water before

## Sylvarena To Have Homecoming July 30

Sylvarena Church in Copiah County will have its annual homecoming on July 30. Rev. Gordon Sansing, pastor of the Davis Memorial Church, will be the guest speaker, and Rev. Thomas Moak of Norfield will lead the singing.

Rev. M. P. Jones, pastor, has extended an invitation to all former pastors, members and friends.

Thirty-eight awards were granted in a recent Training Union Study Course.

Jehovah, and fasted and confessed their sin. Samuel, as intercessor, prayed for them and as judge adjusted their affairs.

(3) The fight with the Philistines (vv. 7-12) resulted in a decisive victory over the oppressors, and the erection of Ebenezer gave the glory to God and pledged the nation to his service.

(4) The service of Samuel made him the second Moses in Israel. Residing in Ramah, he devoted himself for twenty years mainly to settling the causes of the people, making a regular circuit of Bethel, Gilgal, and Mizpah. His judicial career was so incorruptible that he has been called the Hebrew Aristides. He is credited with the banishment of idolatry; the confirmation of the theocracy; the establishment of order, peace, and justice; and the winning of greater unity among the tribes. The demand for a king was heard. Saul was anointed and enthroned but proved a failure. Hence David was anointed and trained for the throne. So it belonged to Samuel, alone of all the prophets, to prepare the way for the consolidation of the disconnected tribes, to frame for them a workable constitution, to anoint two successive kings over them and to lay his strong hand upon the vital points of the infant kingdom. In short, he did the mudsill work in the Hebrew monarchy, and much of its glory was attributable to his foresight and wisdom.

#### WORLD BETTERMENT

##### LEADERSHIP IN WORLD BETTERMENT

is evident in the valedictory of Samuel the judge. He was addressing a national assembly at Gilgal. His address opened with an appeal to his record. Surely no public official on leaving office ever appeared to better advantage. He had hearkened to the voice of the people who had a right to be heard, even when their will was contrary to his judgement. He had selected and designated for them the kingliest man in their midst whom the recent victory over Ammon had made secure on the throne.

Now, as Samuel gives up political life, he challenges criticism of his record. Not an adverse voice is or could be raised against it. With clean hands he had administered the duties of his judgeship; and with clean hands, before the Lord and the king, he laid them down.

At his death all the people mourned as they thought back through his career; the dutiful son of pious parents; faithful child attendant and student in the national sanctuary; preacher of repentance to his countrymen in their servitude; prophet and warrior in the national uprising against Philistia; for a score of years the greatest and wisest and most acceptable of judges; founder and regulator of the monarchy; the discoverer and trainer of David, best of the Hebrew kings; father of the prophetic order; originator of schools and culture among his people; in short, the master mind of his age, a statesman unsurpassed in any era, true and faithful servant of God.



O. K. ARMSTRONG

Shown above is O. K. Armstrong, professional writer of Springfield, Mo. who will deliver several lectures at the Editor's Conference to be held at Ridgecrest August 3-9.

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## 75 Needed To Enroll In School Of Nursing

The Southern Baptist Hospital at New Orleans is in urgent need of 75 young women to enroll in the School of Nursing on September 5.

Applicants must be graduates of an accredited high school, in good health, and of good moral character. Full scholarships are available to those who meet the requirements. For further information write Dr. Frank Tripp, superintendent, Southern Baptist Hospital, New Orleans.

## Charles Phillips Is Pastor At Edwards

Rev. Charles Phillips, a junior at Mississippi College, began the pastorate of the Edwards Church recently. He will serve the church half-time, in connection with the half-time service at Bethel Church in Sunflower County.

Mr. Phillips was the recipient of the H. M. King Memorial Scholarship at the commencement exercises of Mississippi College this year.

Mr. Phillips is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Phillips of Drew.

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## There Is Still Time To Make Reservations

Yes, Sir! If you want to see the best religious films now available for church use; if you want to learn through conferences, discussions, demonstrations, and visual presentations how to use all types of visual aids; if you want to enjoy a week of Christian fellowship as you learn to use this medium more effectively in Kingdom work, then come to Ridgecrest, August 17-23.

Attend the Convention-wide Visual Aids Workshop, August 17-23, Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C. For further information and a room reservation write to Mr. Robert Guy at the above address. Enclose a \$2.00 registration fee with each reservation request.

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RIDGECREST, N. C. — (BP) — DR. Hight C. Moore, retired editorial secretary for the Baptist Sunday School Board, is considerably improved from a recent serious illness.

## PLEDGE CARD

Date .....

In order to help meet a desperate need at Clarke College and to help Clarke continue to render a service that only Clarke can render, I wish to enroll as a member of the Clarke College Club.

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Here is my remittance for	(\$ 1.00) for one week .....
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	(\$26.00) for one-half year .....
	(\$52.00) for one year .....

Those who can, are urged to send in advance as large a part of a year's subscription as possible in order that work on muchly needed buildings may be begun at once.

(It is understood that I may cancel my membership any time that it is absolutely necessary by simply notifying the college.)

"FACULTY MEMBERS, STUDENTS, TRUSTEES, ALUMNI, AND OTHERS ARE JOINING; WHY NOT YOU?"



## Non-Resident Members Need Our Help

By C. WADE FREEMAN, Supt.  
Department of Evangelism, Texas

A great many church members who leave their home communities are lost to the Cause of Christ because of failure to transfer their membership promptly to some church of like faith and order in the new place to which they move.

During war years and since, hundreds of thousands of our people have failed to keep this section of the church covenant which has resulted in 284,668 non-resident members reported last year. This reveals that 30 per cent of our members no longer reside in towns or cities where they have membership.

This situation is tragic and indicates a grave weakness. As long as pastors and members are interested only in helping those who can be added to their own churches there is no cure.

Encouragement must be given those who leave our communities to unite with some church in the new place of residence. All too often the converse is true. The mover is encouraged to break the covenant with such advice as "Don't be too hasty in moving your letter. We need your support here; or, you may return soon." This counsel, if followed, will result in the loss of a worker in the service of our Lord.

The pastor, as busy as he is, can do a blessed ministry if he will inform the church or churches in the new community of members' move. This would enable proper contact to be made immediately.

A simple service of God-speed would be helpful. The member is called to the front, as when he was received into the church. The pastor expresses appreciation for work done in the church and voices regret that he will no longer be able to serve and worship there, but can assume the duty and privilege in the new locality. Then the pastor prays God's blessing upon the friend as he goes to his new home, and makes intercession for guidance that he may find new fellowship with Christian friends and a place to serve Him who died that he might live.

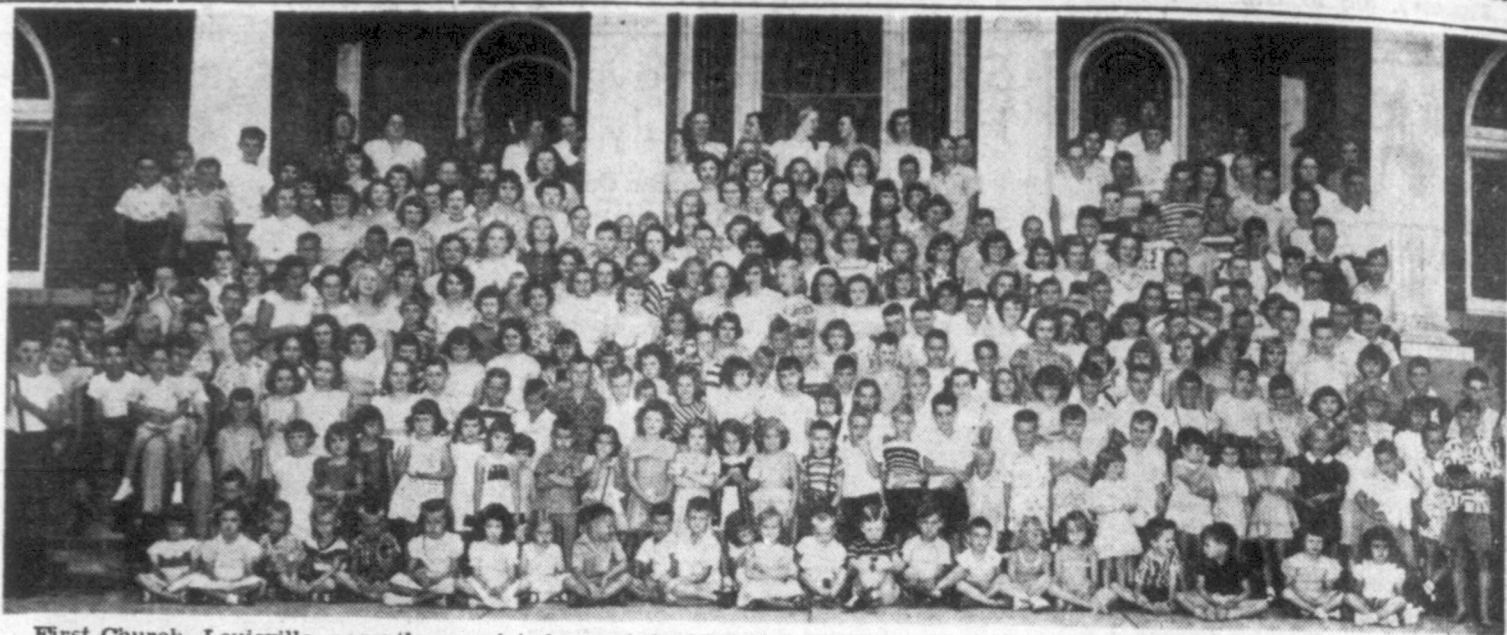
Then again, the local church should be so organized that new people are discovered as soon as they move into the community. The Light, Water and Gas companies will be helpful and most cooperative at this point.

Key people in various sections of the city reporting upon new people would be of invaluable aid.

An intensive visitation program will greatly assist in overcoming this tremendous loss of power.

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**COUNCIL BLUFFS, IA. — (RNS) —** When the Rev. Arthur Farrell of First Baptist Church here noted that his pews were empty on blamy Sunday mornings and heard reports that fishing was good at nearby Lake Manawa, he met the issue squarely. "The men of the church and I are going fishing Sunday morning," he announced. "We hope to fill our baskets and then we will be back in time to fill the pews. You might say it's an object lesson to show that recreation need not take precedence over one's religious life." (Editor's note: I wouldn't want to hear him preach).



First Church, Louisville, recently completed one of the best Vacation Bible Schools in the history of the church, with a record breaking enrolment of 360. An offering was taken each day during the two weeks, the total of which was \$110.73, and designated for the promotion of Vacation Bible Schools among the Indians. Rev. James H. Fairchild, pastor, served as principal of the school.

## Lutherans Have Novel Plan To Finance Missionaries

Minneapolis, Minn. — (RNS) — A unique plan to provide the Evangelical Lutheran Church with missionaries has been devised by the Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation, a young women's auxiliary of the church.

Under the plan, the young women, many of them still in school with no regular incomes, are able to have personal representatives on a mission field for one or more days each year.

Members of the organization are enrolled in the Missionary-for-a-Day plan, as it is called, by contributing five dollars to support one missionary for a day. Contributions are sent in at Pentecost every year.

When enough members are enrolled, the foreign mission board of the church calls a missionary to be sent out under sponsorship of the Lutheran Daughters of the Reformation.

Some of the young women aren't satisfied with one-day financing of missionaries. At least one member of the group sponsors a missionary for 30 days a year.

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## View Oppression In Latin America

The Roman Catholic Church-State has turned to Latin America. Its military agency and secular arm is the Madrid-Buenos Aires Axis headed by Francisco Franco of Spain and Peron, the Argentine dictator. With this military arm and secular power it hopes to make itself secure in Latin America and recover the continent of South America for Spanish control after 131 years of freedom, gained by the great liberators. Already several countries bear silent and unmistakable evidence of the fate that awaits other Latin powers.

Take the example of the Roman Catholic massacre of Protestants in Bolivia. On December 24, 1949, eight evangelical Bolivians and the Rev. Norman Dabbs, a Canadian Baptist, in the words of La Patris of La Paz, were "clubbed and chopped to death." The instigator of the crime was a Roman Catholic priest, Javier Tumiri, who incited an Indian mob to do the massacre. This unprovoked massacre was committed while the evangelists were peacefully at worship. —J. M. Dawson.

## Long Distance Membership

There are in every church and Sunday School people who are miles away from their own church. Some of them have been away for years and have not united with the church they attended and enjoy. The reasons for clinging to the old church usually are:

First: Father and mother belong there. Exactly so, father and mother belong there because they live there. Why not be sensible as father and mother were and belong to the church in your neighborhood? If you want to honor them do as they did.

Second: The old church needs me. Perhaps it does, but it doesn't get you. In spite of all your spasmodic efforts to go back to the old church for communions, and perhaps, a few times in between, you are not giving the old church an honest support. Pulling a church is like pulling a wagon, the further you get away from the load the less you pull. Some are so far away from the pole that their traces have not been up off the ground for years. They are eating grass while the others are pulling.

Third: We have a burial lot there. God bless you for thinking of the resting places of the dead. Earth has no more sacred spots, but they will be still more sacred to you if you wholeheartedly enter into the work of the church of Jesus Christ where you live.

Fourth: It costs too much in town. It will not cost you a cent more than you are willing to give. If some churches of equal means give more per capita than others it is because they love more. Enter the church of your neighborhood and give what you can.

Fifth: I am not ready. How long did you wait to connect with a grocery store, a new butcher, a new baker, a new bank, a new doctor, a new school, a new gasoline station, a new shoe store when you move to town? You found those at once. Your spiritual interests are just as important. Do not neglect them.

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**PRESIDENT H. D. BRUCE OF THE** East Texas Baptist College, Marshall, Texas, was recently appointed by Governor Allan Shivers to membership on the Board of Directors of the Texas State University for Negroes located at Houston.

## Italian Protestants Ask Protective Legislation

Rome — (RNS) — Formation of a special joint Church-State group to draft legislation protecting the rights of religious minorities in Italy was urged in a memorandum submitted to the Italian government by the Federal Council of Italian Evangelical Churches here.

The memorandum demanded an end to all inequalities in the treatment of non-Catholic churches in the country.

"All the regulations concerning associations and institutions of cults other than the Roman Catholic," the memorandum declared, "are, under many substantial aspects, in sharp contrast with the principles established by the constitution of the Italian Republic and are not in harmony with the international commitments Italy has undertaken."

According to the memorandum, the regulations concerning religious gatherings of non-Catholics are not compatible with Articles 17, 18 and 19 of the Italian constitution, which, it said, state that all religious confessions are equally free under the law.

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## Communists Demolish Berlin Steeple; Churchmen Indignant

Berlin — (RNS) — Dr. Otto Dibelius, head of the Evangelical Church in Germany, was among a crowd of churchmen here who witnessed in silent indignation the demolition of the towering steeple of 81-year-old Georgenkirche (St. George's Church), in the Russian sector of Berlin.

Demolition of the steeple was ordered by Communist authorities, who said the steeple had been weakened by bombings during the war, and thus had to be razed for safety's sake. However, church authorities had contended that the steeple was in no danger of collapsing and should stand.

Evidence that the church experts were correct in stating that the steeple was safe and did not need to be demolished was seen in the fact that it took nearly three hours' work and five dynamite charges to collapse the structure.